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PESTILENCE MAY FOLLOW

DEPOPULATION AND RUIN

Shocking Conditions in Corpse-Strewn Towns and Villages in Calabria and Sicily.

HORRORS UNSURPASSED FOR MANY CENTURIES

Over 100,000 Now Believed to Have Perished in Messina Alone—Death Roll May Reach 200,000—Entire Infantry Regiment Drowns in Tidal Wave—Heart-Rending Stories of Survivors Ghouls at Work on Devastated Area.

Rome, Dec. 31.—To the terrifying spectacle of death caused by Monday's earthquake has now been added the horror of starvation and the fear of a spread of pestilence. In the ruins of Messina, Reggio, and various towns in Sicily and Calabria, lie the bodies of the dead, which it has been impossible to extricate, while everywhere thousands of hungry and homeless persons through the littered thoroughfares. Words are inadequate to express the horror of the ruin and desolation that has overwhelmed Calabria and Sicily, where the earth's tremblings, and fire and water have combined to change the smiling and verdant country into deserts.

Messina exists no longer, and at least thirty years will be necessary to repair what nature's violence has wrought there. As yet it has been found impossible to obtain any news whatever of the fate of little villages along the coast, many of which it is believed have been entirely wiped out. In many cases the buildings have been swept out to sea, and no trace of them remain. It is no exaggeration to say that flourishing and industrious villages have been wiped off the map.

Es some of the smaller towns such as Palmi, near Monteleone, the suddenness and completeness of the catastrophe was overwhelming. Of the 14,000 people living in Palmi alone 2,200 corpses were buried in the cemetery there. The survivors, reinforced by rescuers from other points, and under the lead of soldiers and doctors, are performing prodigies of valor.

Many of them have been overcome by the awful conditions under which they are working. The Bishop of Morabito and other priests, with touching devotion and courage have done much to preserve order by the example of calmness and self denial they have given the people. They are busy carrying comfort and consolation to the dying and the bereaved.

The first of the survivors of Reggio to reach Catanzaro were so broken down by the shock of their experience that it was almost impossible for them to give any connected account of the destruction of the city. They speak disconnectedly of whole districts swept away in a moment, and entire families of well-known people annihilated. Reggio remains isolated in a ghastly silence.

The railways and the foot paths through the surrounding country have been utterly destroyed while the survivors lack food, water, and medical supplies. The visit of the King and Queen of Italy to Messina and Reggio has aroused widespread enthusiasm. In spite of the universal mourning and distress the sovereigns were saluted when they disembarked by the firing of guns from the Italian and foreign warships at Messina.

As soon as King and Queen set foot on shore they began witnessing scenes of an indescribable kind. His Majesty spoke highly in praise of the Italian soldiers and the sailors from the foreign warships for their brave and heroic work of rescue. He shook hands with several officers saying it was his desire to be informed of every detail of the work. Accompanied by Ministers Orlando and Bertolini he visited both Messina and Reggio, spending some hours at each place.

Visited Personally
Every quarter of these cities giving words of encouragement, praise and consolation.

Her Majesty the Queen talked with the wounded on board the ships in the harbor, comforted the women, and spoke kindly to the children. Everywhere Their Majesties proved of assistance and imparted fresh impetus to the work of rescue.

The light houses on the headlands have disappeared. Numbers of recitals from eye witnesses are becoming available. A survivor of Messina says: "The first thing I knew I was thrown out of bed, then the floor of my room collapsed, and I fell into the apartment under me. Here I found a distracted woman searching for her sister and son, whom she found dead. We remained in the ruins for twenty-four hours entirely alone, without food or drink."

"We made a rough shelter of boards to keep off the rain. Our ears were filled with the cries and moans of the injured. These sounds ceased somewhat during the day. Still no one came to our assistance. We were as in a tomb with the dead bodies of our children beside us. We could see and hear from the street there would come an outburst of piercing cries for mercy and help from the injured, hidden and half-dead in the wreckage."

"On Tuesday morning we finally ventured forth and were taken aboard a vessel in the harbor on which we came to Naples. Messina is entirely destroyed."

This refugee lost his two children. He arrived in Rome half clad and covered with dust. His wife was clothed in little, else than an old counterpane. Other refugees estimate that not more than 6,000 persons of the entire population of Messina, 100,000 people, escaped with their lives. The suffering was intensified by the lack of drinking water. The water system was entirely demolished.

These survivors assuaged their thirst by rinsing their mouths with seawater. Just as the British cruiser Ebro was preparing to leave Messina with refugees, an outbreak of frightful cries was heard from the shore. The refugees on board said crowds of maddened persons of every age break into the custom house. Some were naked, others half clothed, and they all were mud spattered and demented. Many were injured and bleeding. They sacked everything that came to their hands, seeking food, drink and clothing.

Refugee shots rang out over the horrible din and confusion. Finally tongues of flame shot up in the darkness, showing that fire was completing the work of destruction. Messina Was Burning and masses of flame in the darkness showed where the fire was completing the destructive beginnings of the earthquake. Ghoul-like figures flitted in the semi-darkness risking their lives among the tottering ruins, not to be agonized sufferers, but in the splendid striving to profit by the appalling disaster which had overwhelmed the city. They were vandals robbing the dead and dying, and acquiring possessions which they had no means of protecting or carrying away.

As the Ebro steamed through the straits it was seen that many once smiling villages on the neighboring shores had been completely obliterated from sight, or were nothing more than heaps of shapeless ruins with occasional flames springing up here and there to show where they once had stood. King Victor Emmanuel, who left Messina last night with Queen Helena, arrived early this morning at Reggio, and after visiting the ruins of the town in company with the Queen, re-embarked on a warship, and sent the following wireless telegram to Premier Giolitti: "Return from Reggio, which I found in a condition No Less Disastrous than that at Messina."

"A Russian warship, with five hundred wounded on board, will arrive at Naples this morning, and everything must be prepared for their landing and housing. Another Russian ship will carry the wounded to Syracuse. It is desirable to have at Naples a Russian ship with an abundance of medical supplies."

Awe Inspiring Spectacle.
Naples, Dec. 31.—The commander of the Therapia said that, from the waterfront, Messina appeared to be intact, as the founder of the fine buildings along that line of streets still were standing, but behind was emptiness and ruin.

The principal square presented an awe-inspiring spectacle. Everywhere were enormous cracks, into which the sea poured, whence clouds of steam and sulphurous vapors arose. To the right, before a big trembling building, was heaped many corpses, whose desperate attitudes and contorted features showed the horrors of the death struggle.

The crew landed, but the work of rescue was most difficult. The ruins formed hillocks thirty feet high, under which thousands were buried. The steamer was soon loaded down to its utmost capacity with survivors, and then steamed to Naples. Along the way it was seen that the smiling villages on the Calabrian coast had disappeared.

The commander of the Russian battleship Makharoff, described the fearful scenes at Messina. He declared that many of the residents at that place had been buried alive as groans had come from far down in the fissures of the earth, which could only be approached with the greatest precaution. At points the tottering walls threatened further collapse.

The anguished cries of the victims caused a fearful frenzy among the sailors who in several cases ventured in dangerous places and rescued many people. In other cases they reached dead bodies that separated in parts when efforts were made to drag them from the wreckage. Amidst the ruins of the Bank of Sicily, Russian sailors found the safe containing many millions, and delivered it aboard the warship.

Chevalier Zanolo, a treasury official at Messina, who was among the fugitives arriving here, said that out of 60 treasury clerks only four escaped. At the prison of Rocci Guilford, 400 convicts were killed, together with many jailors and soldiers. Only forty convicts succeeded in making their escape. Refugees to the number of 50,000 to 75,000 are expected here within a few days.

Inhuman Fight For Food.
Messina, Dec. 31.—A frightful scene occurred here to-day amid the ruins of the custom house. Bands of famished individuals were grouping among the debris in the hope of discovering food. The first of the searchers were successful and others, attracted by their cries of joy, fell upon them with revolvers and knives. The lucky ones defended each morsel literally with their lives.

The struggle was of the most inhuman description. The famished men threw themselves upon each other like wolves and several fell disembowled in defending a handful of dry bread. One of the unfortunates was pinned to a plank by a knife while clinging to his hand was a little child, for whom he had fought for food. Survivors Driven Mad.

Naples, Dec. 31.—The wounded refugees from Messina, who have reported here present a sickening sight. Some appear hardly human; others among the fugitives have no apparent injuries, but are in a deplorable mental condition. The horror of that tragic minute is ineradicably fixed on their faces. On the relief ships they were heaped everywhere. Some of them appear to be stricken with a kind of idiosyncrasy, looking aimlessly before them, others, completely mad, howl wildly.

There is reason to believe that an entire regiment of infantry was drowned by the tidal wave at Palmi. Three hundred of the soldiers' bodies already have been recovered. As a precautionary measure against an outbreak of pestilence the bodies of persons killed in the earthquake are being burned and disinfected are being strewn among the ruins of the city. The troops have set up field kitchens and are baking bread in the streets.

C. P. R. EXPRESS IS DITCHED; 2 INJURED

(Special to the Times.)
Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 31.—The continental express of the C. P. R. Pacific westbound from here went into a ditch near Gull Lake, Medicine Hat, Sask., district at 2 o'clock this morning. The baggage and colonist car was ditched but the locomotive stayed on the rails. Two people were injured, one of whom is likely to die. No names were obtainable.

DEPOPULATED AND IN RUIN

Naples, Dec. 31.—The only confirms the unspeakable horrors of the overpowering catastrophe in Southern Italy, for earth and sea ruthlessly claimed thousands of human beings, and the flames mercilessly consumed the remains of the devastation. Naples, vibrant with the memory of Vesuvius, is prostrated anew by the misery and woe from Messina confided to her care. The hospitals, hotels and homes are crowded with refugees, and the people are coming with another in adding the stricken. Those who have expert knowledge of the subject agree that the centre of the cataclysm was the strait of Messina, which also is the centre of the volcanic zone; the highest peak of which, Mt. Etna, is now silent. From this base, the disturbance extended, being little by little, northward as far as the Bay of Catania, and the eastern coast of Sicily for a distance of nearly a hundred miles.

It is impossible to ascertain the extent of the movement east and west in the inland regions, but it is certain that the beauty of one of the most charming sections of Southern Italy has been irrevocably despoiled. Vineyards are no more, waving rows of lemon, orange and olive trees have been torn up, and the enchanting coast line, with its soft and fragrant foliage, has been converted into a hideous desert. Reggio, whose gay aspect set off the severity of the mountains, and

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STARVING AND FROZEN IN WILDS OF ALBERTA

Friendless Woman and Her Child Endure Terrible Hardships.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 31.—Wandering about in the wilds of the north, among the haunts of innumerable timber wolves, Margaret Romaro, a Mexican woman, old and frail, and her daughter a child of 13 years, have been found by Indians in a starving condition, almost frozen and desperate from hunger.

The place where the two were found, was at Calling Lake, seventy-five miles west of Athabasca Landing. The pitiful story came to the immigration office of Bruce Walker yesterday. The place is uninhabited, and only wolves and big game abound in the bush and swamps, which in winter time are buried in mountains of snow.

Entirely unprotected from the elements and evidently the victim of hallucination, they are wanderers over the earth. Seemingly homeless and without a friend in the world, they have endured unknown hardships for a long time. Both have been driven from Canada into the United States and from the States into Canada again.

EFFORTS TO PROVE MURDERER INSANE

Hains' Trial Following Along Similar Lines to Notorious Thaw Case.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 31.—With the conclusion to-day of the testimony of Major Hains in behalf of his brother, Thornton J. Hains, now on trial as a principal with his brother, Capt. P. C. Hains, for killing William Anns, counsel for the defence will call the parents of the defendant, Gen. P. C. Hains and his wife, to tell of the mental condition of Captain Hains following certain disclosures of alleged happenings at his home that caused a separation from his wife. The spectacle of the aged parents opening further the doors upon family skeletons, and telling of mental weakness observed in Captain Hains, counsel for the defendant, assert, will prove positively to the jury that the army officer was insane from grief when he shot Anns down.

T. J. Hains will follow his parents on the stand if the present plans of his counsel are carried out. This has been necessary to bring out further facts regarding his brother, which will be incorporated into a hypothetical question put to the alienist regarding Captain Hains' sanity. The defendant will probably not take the stand until Saturday or Monday.

Lawyer McIntyre, whose illness caused an adjournment of the trial yesterday afternoon, seemed much improved this morning and counsel said he believed himself strong enough to proceed with the case without further delay. (Concluded on page 13.)

FIFTY VICTIMS AFTER EXPLOSION

MINING DISASTER IN WEST VIRGINIA

Entombed Men Have Little Chance for Life—12 Bodies Recovered.

Ennis, W. Va., Dec. 31.—The fatalities in the Lick branch mine, as the result of an explosion on Tuesday afternoon will probably reach fifty. Twelve bodies have already been taken out.

According to a mine foreman, there are 38 men in the mine, with little chance of their recovery alive. The cause of the explosion is unknown. Lick Branch is the name of a coal mine in operation on the Pocahontas division of the Norfolk & Western railway. It is without commercial telegraph facilities.

It is practically settled that fifty miners were at work in the mine when the explosion occurred and that there yet remain thirty-eight in the death pit. The rescue work is very slow. The damage to the mine is reported to be great.

STAMPING OUT CATTLE DISEASE IN U. S. A.

Fight Against Foot and Mouth Outbreak Will Cost Half a Million.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—"I believe we've gotten the 'foot and mouth' disease corralled," declared Secretary of Agriculture Wilson to-day. "I want to emphasize, however, that we are letting up in our investigations very slowly, because if we did not foreign countries might guarantee against the whole United States, as they are very suspicious of getting the infection." The department has had a force of 150 veterans and professional men engaged in the work of the eradication of the disease, the cost of which, it is estimated, will be fully half a million dollars. The four states affected are New York, Michigan, Maryland and Pennsylvania. The total number of animals slaughtered were 2,965, valued at \$8,258, of which the federal government will pay two-thirds, and the states affected one-third.

EQUAL FRANCHISE SOCIETY.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 31.—For the purpose of securing "the national, state and local franchise for women," the Equal Franchise Society, with principal offices in New York, filed a certificate of incorporation yesterday with the secretary of state. The society proposes to establish such offices and headquarters as may seem desirable, and maintain publicity bureaus, holding meetings and distributing printed matter.

Among the directors are: Rev. Chas. F. Aked, Wm. M. Evans, Chas. Sprague Smith, John B. Stanchfield, Harriet Stanton Blatch, Margaret Aldrich and Elsie Golet, all of New York.

THEEVING POLICE.

Dual Role Enacted by Bluecoats in Simcoe, Ont.—Assaulting Condition of Affairs.

Simcoe, Ont., Dec. 31.—At the hearing of the Malone case on Tuesday Constable Wilkins was getting the terminal examination as he was with Chief Malone when Sever's store was burglarized and when Martin's store was entered, and declared that some twenty piano draperies were stolen and divided between them. He knew Malone set fire to Madden's shop, the fair ground barn, West & Peachy's boiler shop, McBride's barn and Schuyler's grocery store.

Wilkins swore positively that Malone forced him into criminal acts on threats of his life. Malone told him if he talked of their joint acts his life would not be worth the stuff of a candle. Malone was remanded for trial at the court of sessions on February 2nd.

DORANDO-LONGBOAT RACE.

Rivals to Meet Again Over Distance of 25 Miles at Buffalo.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Dorando, the Italian, who is to enter with Longboat, the Canadian-Indian, in a 25-mile race at the seventy-fifth regiment Armory here on Saturday night, arrived in Buffalo to-day from New York, and was given an enthusiastic reception by delegations of his countrymen.

BIG PHILADELPHIA FIRE.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 31.—Fire early to-day destroyed the warehouse of the Howard-Boyer Wool Company on South Second street in the centre of the wholesale district and badly damaged the adjoining buildings. The losses are estimated at \$100,000.

BIG COAL DOCK FIRE IS UNDER CONTROL

(Special to the Times.)
Fort William, Ont., Dec. 31.—The fire at the C. P. R. coal docks here is at last under control, after several thousand tons have been burned. Two weeks hence will see the end of the fire which has been burning for several weeks. A large army of men have been engaged for sometime, isolating a mountainous pile of coal on fire from the other fuel.

CAMPAIGN SONG AROUSES PASSENGER'S IRE

St. John Street Car Put Out of Business as Result of Mix-up.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 31.—An incident that carries back to the federal election of October occurred in a street car. One passenger was the son of G. S. Mayes, the dredging contractor, on his way home. Three other men in the car, who had been drinking, started a campaign song in which the names of Pugsley, Pender and Mayes were used and made remarks which Mayes considered objectionable. Trouble followed and the car fixtures were so badly smashed that the car had to be laid off.

GOVERNMENTS WILL NOT PURCHASE ELEVATORS

Scheme Under Discussion by Western Provinces is Too Costly.

(Special to the Times.)
Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 31.—The proposal to purchase the terminal elevators which was endorsed by the Grain Growers' Association of Western Canada, and which was before the premiers of the western provinces here at a conference yesterday, has been "turned down" owing to the immense financial obligations involved. The Grain Growers' executive have been notified of this conclusion. Premier Roblin of Manitoba, flatly refused to go into the scheme.

FENCE BANK WITH BARBED WIRE, THEN LOOT IT

Robbers Stand Guard While Comrades Dynamite Vault and Secure \$5,000

Muskogee, O. T., Dec. 31.—Five robbers dynamited the bank at Elliston, Okla., yesterday, and escaped with \$5,000. The robbers erected a barbed wire barricade around the bank, and while some members of the gang went to work on the bank safe, others stood guard. The picket for two hours kept the townspeople at bay, while their confederates worked on the vault, and when finally the robbers succeeded in getting the money it contained the five men rode off, covering their departure with a heavy fire.

PRECIOUS FREIGHT.

Gold Valued at 225 Millions Removed From Washington, D. C., to Denver Vaults.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—Moving \$25,000,000 in gold coin a distance of more than one thousand miles without accident or without the loss of a dollar, is the feat just successfully accomplished by the treasury department of the United States under the supervision of the directorship of the mint.

Owing to all the principal vaults of the San Francisco mint having been filled with gold coin, and the basement and other less secure vaults as well, it was deemed desirable to move this amount to the new modern vaults of the Denver mint, the largest and most secure of any in the United States. Secretary Cortelyou therefore ordered its transfer. The movement of the coin was begun on August 15th, and was completed on December 19th. This is by far the largest transfer of money ever made by the department.

CANADA'S CUSTOMS REVENUE.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Dec. 31.—The customs revenue of Canada for the month just closing is \$2,875,000, a decrease of \$217,975 as compared with December, last year. For nine months of the fiscal year the total has been \$24,844,524, a decrease of \$10,548,504.

TORONTO'S 4-TRACK VIADUCT.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 31.—The railway commission has ordered a four-track viaduct for Toronto, the city to pay one-third of the cost.

TRAFFIC TIED UP.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 31.—A severe snowfall in the Rocky Mountains, west of Logan on the Canadian Pacific railway, has carried away a section of track and tied up traffic.

LABOR-CAPITAL CO-PARTNERSHIP

A. J. BALFOUR CARRIES ON VIGOROUS CAMPAIGN

Would Reconcile Antagonistic Elements and End Industrial Strife.

London, Dec. 31.—Former Premier Arthur J. Balfour has started a vigorous campaign throughout Great Britain for "capital and labor" combinations in many industries, taking as his text Sir Christopher Furness' monster co-operative shipbuilding scheme. Mr. Balfour is conducting his movement as president of the Labor Co-operative Association, an organization of several years standing into which, however, new life has been injected by the big ship-building experiment. The audience, which the former premier has been addressing in the leading English cities, are perhaps the most curiously mixed of any ever gathered in the United Kingdom, Peers and working men, Socialists, Liberals and Conservatives, captains of industry and Unionists, all seem equally enthusiastic over the plan, which, it is hoped, will revolutionize the relations between capital and labor and put an end to industrial strife by placing the two interests on an equal footing and making them work toward a common end.

The ex-prime minister makes it clear, however, that it is not Socialism which he is advocating. It urges individual rather than committee control of both commercial and industrial enterprises, declaring his belief that the higher the degree of individual efficiency among members of any form of managing board, the less likely would they be to work harmoniously together. "Our association's ideal, however," he explained in his last speech, "is a complete co-partnership, I mean that those who carry on any work should be associated, in all that the work brings in."

"Everything that softens or obliterates the division between employer and employed is a step in the right direction. The more we encourage mutual knowledge of each others affairs, the more we can bring the two classes together, the more we can get the workmen to understand the difficulties of the employer, the more we are likely to produce a class of workmen fit to deal with all questions, industrial, political or social. This result we shall get by co-partnership and I doubt if we shall get it in any other way. "I think that the plan we advocate can be most efficiently carried out in the first instance, at all events, in those well established industries which have little about them of the speculative element."

DEATH OF CUSTOMS COLLECTOR.

Port Colborne, Ont., Dec. 31.—Samuel F. Ridd, collector of customs of this place, and formerly connected with the Welland Tribune, died in the hospital at St. Catharines yesterday, following an operation for appendicitis. He was 58 years old, and leaves a widow and four children.

NEW YEAR DISPENSATION.

New York, Dec. 31.—A dispensation permitting Roman Catholics to eat meat tomorrow, New Year's Day, although it is Friday, has been granted by the Pope. Formal announcement of the fact was made to-day by Archbishop Farley, of the diocese of New York.

BANK DISCOUNT RATE.

London, Dec. 31.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged to-day at 3 per cent.

DEATH BRINGS RELEASE TO CAPITOL CONSPIRATOR

W. L. Mathews, Former State Treasurer of Pennsylvania, Was Sentenced Man.

Media, Pa., Dec. 31.—William L. Mathews, former state treasurer of Pennsylvania, died suddenly at his home here, aged 46 years. The cause of death was given by his physicians as pneumonia, but it is generally believed that his illness was superinduced by the Harrisburg capitol graft cases and his recent sentence of two years in penitentiary for his part in the alleged conspiracy against the state. Some years ago Mathews was one of the political leaders of Pennsylvania, and his power in Delaware county politics was supreme until the exposure of the capitol frauds by his successor as state treasurer, Wm. H. Berry.

It was then that Mathews retired from the Republican county chairmanship "temporarily," as he explained, until he could be vindicated. Last March, he William P. Snyder, former auditor general; James M. Shumaker, former superintendent of public grounds and buildings, and John Sanderson, furniture contractor, were convicted of conspiracy in defrauding the state out of \$19,308 on a contract for woollen furniture. The four men, with Architect Joseph B. Huston, were to have been placed on trial on April 6th, on the charge of fraud in furnishing desks for the new capitol. This case involves an alleged fraud of \$25,871 on a bill of \$61,000.

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serialists; C. W. Williams, ventriloquist, and the illustrated song, moving pictures and acrobats. On Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock the usual children's 10 cent matinee will be given. At 11 o'clock on Sunday morning Bishop Perrin will induct Rev. W. Baugh Allen into his new charge at St. Paul's church. Esquimaux. The newly appointed rector will preach the sermon at 7 o'clock in the evening.

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DR. E. S. ROWE ON PUBLICITY SCHEME

Ratepayers Should Study Necessity of Advertising City.

Dr. Elliot S. Rowe, of the Vancouver Tourist Association, and formerly of Victoria, who is staying at the Dominion hotel while here on private business, in discussing advertising of the city last night said the plebiscite on the appropriation of \$1,500 for next year for publicity work was one about which there were diverse opinions. He personally did not agree with the plebiscite, and gives as his reason that the average man has not dealt deep enough with the necessity for advertising on a large scale. Many ratepayers and members of the community he thinks would not be in sympathy with an advertising appropriation because they do not sufficiently understand it, the reason for this being that the average man does not know the great value of advertising and that the people as a whole are apt to underestimate the necessity of advertising and are given to take an indifferent view of the matter, preferring to leave the increase of population to ships that call from other parts of the world. The utmost publicity, however, should be given the proposition and the necessity which he says never decreases but always increases for advertising the city should be made plain to all at every opportunity. Dr. Rowe supports publicity in all forms and as a publicity man himself considers the ratepayers should vote the appropriation; for, he says, the city that does not advertise and advertise well is soon advertised for in the lost columns.

"Victoria as a city lends itself tremendously to successful advertising and beautification, especially the latter, as all that can be favorably said of it can be said truly," continued Dr. Rowe. "It has the fundamental essentials for a big beautification scheme and needs but the trimmings which when completed will add distinctly to the natural scenic beauties. In a prairie town street ornamentation without the natural beauty of the surrounding of Victoria is apt to result in an artificial appearance, the real beauty being lost as soon as the city limits are passed. This defect is, however, entirely absent in Victoria."

Last March Dr. Rowe saw here some magnificent blooms growing in the open some of which were shipped to Toronto. "These could be shipped to Ottawa," he said, "and what an advertisement it would be for Victoria if they were sent east on the 15th of March when the Ottawa ground was under a heavy snow and used to decorate the desks of all the British Columbia members of the Dominion house and labelled 'grown in the open in Victoria B. C.' The press at Ottawa would be bound to take the matter up and Victoria and British Columbia would have one of the biggest advertisements. It would cause a furore throughout the east."

PILLSBURY-WASHBURN AFFAIRS. Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 21.—At a meeting of English holders of the debentures of the Pillsbury-Washburn Flour Mills Co., yesterday, the plan for the re-organization of the company was unanimously approved. This practically assures the re-organization, and the plan needs only the approval of the creditors, from whose committee it originally came.

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WARD THREE AND ITS ALDERMEN

RATEPAYERS HAVE A FRIENDLY TALK TO THEM

Condition of Streets, Water Rates and Garbage Removal Discussed.

A heart to heart talk was had by half a hundred ratepayers of Ward Three, with their representatives, Aldermen Gleason and Fullerton, last night. The meeting was called as soon as the renewing of the garbage contract with Capt. W. E. Gardiner was announced, and while originally intended to deal with that matter was understood to offer the aldermen a chance to explain their year's work. A. E. Sherk presided over the meeting, held in Spring Road, Odd Fellow's hall. The garbage contract, the proposed water rates and the undoubted bad condition of the streets were the principal matters on which the ratepayers wanted information, and the aldermen were subjected to much good-natured heckling. It seemed to be the opinion of the two aldermen, when asked point blank questions about them, that the city engineer has too much to do, that the council does not properly support him, and that the foremen on street works need a shaking-up.

Ald. Gleason began by telling what had been done for the sewerage and lighting of the ward, and for the streets. He said that the only solution was an extension of the local improvement system. The council could not attend to them out of general revenue. As to the garbage contract, Capt. Gardiner's offer negotiations, agreed to handle fifty per cent, more at a saving on the present contract of \$1,072 for a year or \$1,393 a year on a two-year contract. In arriving at this figure the council took into consideration that the contractor would have an income from tickets. Ald. Gleason said he agreed with the principle of calling for tenders for city work, but in this case the city was getting a good bargain, and besides he considered no one else was in a position to handle the contract as satisfactorily as the old contractor.

"Give us figures," said J. A. Price, and other ratepayers repeated his demand. Ald. Gleason said that the estimated receipts from tickets were put at \$1,191 a year. With the \$2,822 paid under the contract the service would thus cost the ratepayers \$4,013 annually, whereas at the rate of the old contract it would cost \$3,605. The aldermen, with the aid of a blue-book, entered into a comparison of vessels and declared that Capt. Gardiner and Capt. Goodwin were the only owners of suitable tugs.

Mr. Marchant objected to the water rates being made to cover capital expenditure charges instead of these being met out of ordinary revenue. Ald. Gleason said it was as broad as it was long. "Oh, no, it is not as broad as it is long, but the other way about," replied Mr. Marchant. "When met from ordinary revenue the owners of the vacant land you talk of in connection with the frontage tax would have to pay their share, but you propose to have residences meet the whole cost."

The latter had his chance early in the year, and was \$600 higher than Capt. Gardiner. "Capt. Goodwin might have reduced his figures since then," suggested a ratepayer.

Ald. Gleason did not think so. "You don't know," retorted J. A. Price. "You don't know because you did not call for tenders. I think if one tenderer could do the work for less under the arrangement to collect \$50 a lead other could do it, too."

Work on the Streets. William Marchant wanted to know if Street Superintendent Warwick superintended anything, what he was paid his salary for, or whether it was true that someone in authority was interfering with the result that Mr. Warwick does his superintending.

Ald. Gleason professed willingness to explain were it not that the whole matter was at present under consideration by the streets, bridges and sewers committee. "I would like to run whoever is interfering to earth," said Mr. Marchant. Another ratepayer complained that there were altogether too many foremen, that there was frequent lack of common-sense in the work, and in some cases on Stewart street where the earth from an excavation had been thrown up on the pipes to be laid, and these had then to be dug out to be laid!

"All comes back to having a good, efficient head in that department," said Ald. Gleason, who went on to say that both a better head and better men were needed. He had noticed one case where the men stopped work and put away their tools some time before five and then stood around until the clock struck. This case would be investigated.

"That foreman should be fined," declared Mr. Marchant. "There has been so much laxity of late years that we are not getting the benefit out of day labor that we should. The council should take hold and go into this whole matter of the lack of system in street work."

Ald. Gleason, in reply to a question, said he would be in favor of calling for tenders for local improvement works if the property owners desired it where the engineer's estimate seemed too high.

The Water Rates. On the question of water rates Ald. Gleason defended the new schedule and the frontage tax of three cents a foot. The latter, he said, would be put into a fund which would enable the city to make improvements in the service, and such works as would be necessary at Sooke lake some day, without having to borrow.

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Ald. Gleason was unconvinced. He held out a hope, in the case of annual houses, that a lower rate than the minimum of \$1 a month will be charged.

Ald. Fullerton declared himself in favor of making water rates as low as possible, and as opposed to the frontage tax. The people of the future should pay for their own improvements and extensions. There would be raised \$15,000 a year by this tax, which would be unjust. The members of council outside the five members of the finance committee were as much in the dark as the public as to how the rates were too high. In regard to the garbage contract the alderman thought tenders should have been called, although Capt. Gardiner had given satisfaction.

"I am not satisfied with the way work is carried on on the streets," said Ald. Fullerton. "I have brought it up several times in committee, but there is no mind in the matter."

Ald. Fullerton defended the workmen from any suspicion of not doing a fair day's work, which his colleague might have cast on them, and thought the trouble was higher up. "With the council, and ourselves, who elect them," remarked a ratepayer. A lack of system.

Several gentlemen gave instances of want of system in road work, of rock hauled long distances when it could be had close at hand, of grades altered without authority and other faults.

Ald. Fullerton, to a questioner, said he was in favor of a small streets committee instead of the present unwieldy and unsatisfactory committee of the whole council. Other matters were discussed by which it had no business, and which should be disposed of in open council.

A propos of the digging of holes such as that on Gladstone avenue, near the car terminus, and an explanation that no change in the law to prevent this could be obtained against the opposition of the country members. O. H. Sackrider said it was about time the city got a charter. Ald. Hall spoke briefly, upheld the water rates and the garbage contract. He expressed the opinion that boulevarding is being carried too far in outlying districts. The grant to the Tourist Association was also supported strongly by Ald. Hall, although he defended the reference to a referendum vote, and denied that the aldermen were afraid to face the music.

SOUTH SEA ISLANDERS' FEUDS. Bush Vendetta That Is the Cause of Many Crimes. Miss Young, of the South Sea Island Evangelical Mission, who has recently returned to Brisbane, after four months among Solomon Island natives, has many interesting things to relate as to their customs. Native murders, it appears, are of frequent occurrence, but a great many are the result of feuds between different tribes. Two Christian boys belonging to the mission at Malo were brutally done to death, and another Christian native at Fiu was also murdered. The crimes were unprovoked, but were committed because

The Islanders believed in having a life for a life. If a man belonging to a tribe is killed by another tribe there is no peace until the death is avenged. Generally happens that the most inoffensive man in the offending tribe falls a victim. The native who was killed at Fiu left the mission station accompanied by a child to visit his garden some distance away. The bushmen came down, chatting with him, and they ate food together. Then the bushmen suddenly turned on him and killed him to avenge a murder committed by his tribe some time previously.

On another occasion, at Onepelu, the head station of the mission, a native came and associated with the Christian boys and shortly before daylight one morning this man secured an axe, struck a Christian boy on the head and ran away. The injured boy was attended by a woman missionary and subsequently recovered.

Miss Young adds that a young Kanaka of about 18 years was recently brought from an adjoining island, but it was found necessary to send him away to another station. It appears that some years ago the tribe from which the boy was taken had murdered a man belonging to a bush tribe near the station. How the natives got to know the boy was there is a mystery, but nevertheless it became known. One day a native who had not been near the mission station for a year suddenly made his appearance. The boy was carefully watched, and at night slept in a room occupied by a missionary, but he became so terrified that it was necessary to send him elsewhere.

Miss Young says that the authorities are doing all they can to prevent the importation of rifles and ammunition, for all that the bushmen, become possessed of rifles, some of the first arms ever of a very old pattern. They are certainly not supplied by white traders, who are too much concerned about their own safety to supply the natives with weapons of destruction. It is alleged that some of the boys ship to New Guinea and while there buy rifles and ammunition. It has happened that some of the boys when searched have had ammunition in their possession.—London Standard.

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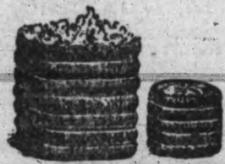
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land.

"It is as different in the last four years as day and night," said H. J. Knox, of Chilliwack, this morning at the Dominion hotel in referring to the many changes noticeable in the city of Victoria since 1905. During that period, said Mr. Knox, this city has donned a new garb and grown in such a manner that it is now hardly recognizable. New and substantial buildings have been erected and stand where four years ago were vacant blocks in the city and vacant fields in the suburbs.

When four years ago he was here, Mr. Knox remembers big vacant spaces around Oak Bay and recalled the shooting of game in the municipality which has had since that time had to close down on sportsmen owing to the rapid settlement and increase of the number of residences within its bounds.

Out in the direction of Mount Tolmie Mr. Knox has also noticed a rapid development and was surprised at the large number of handsome dwellings which have been erected there and are now permanently occupied by families. In the intervening time he mentions among the additions to the city the Merchants' bank building, Yates and Douglas streets, the Empress hotel, the addition to the Dominion hotel and the completion of the Carnegie library. The dwellings, however, he speaks of with more admiration and praise, pointing as they do to the increase in population and quick permanent settlement of the near outskirts of the city.

Mr. Knox attributed the rapid growth largely to the climate. Other reasons, however, are found for Victoria's rapid advancement in her excellent geographical position and the low cost of living here. He contradicts positively the statement that Victoria is more expensive to reside in than many other towns. Living here is cheaper he declares than in Chilliwack and on the mainland, while the hotel accommodation is equal to any city in British Columbia and superior to most. Mr. Knox has been a resident of British Columbia for some thirty odd years and has been through Victoria often, having lived here some years ago. He says he has watched the development of Victoria for a long period and has still been surprised at its growth within the last four years.

SANTA CLAUS AT Y. M. C. A.

Boys' Department Was Entertained
Last Evening at Local Quarters.

The first Christmas tree entertainment ever held by the local Y. M. C. A. took place in the auditorium last evening. R. C. Horn, the vice-president of the association, presided. In his opening speech he said that it was the largest gathering under the auspices of the boys' department he had ever witnessed in the local Y. M. C. A. The room was crowded with boys, their parents and friends.

A good programme was given, piano solos being rendered by Mrs. Brace and Miss Willis, while Reggie McKeown gave a recitation. Clarence Harris secured a box of chocolates as first prize in a guessing competition. Chas. Hopper made an excellent Santa Claus and presented to each member of the department a badge containing the letter "B," which is to be worn on the front of the jerseys. Every one in the audience was presented with a big bag of candy. Coffee, tea and cake were served after which the gathering broke up after a delightful evening had been passed.

PRAIRIE CLUB.

Meeting Will Be Held Wednesday For
Election of Officers.

A meeting of the Prairie Club will be held at the rooms on Government street, on Wednesday, January 21st, for the election of officers and the transaction of other important business. A financial statement for the year 1908, will be submitted. Prizes for the Five Hundred tournament will be awarded.

The Prairie Club has the reputation for being good entertainers, and it is likely that at this gathering cigars and other refreshments are provided. All members are asked to attend.

AERIAL NAVIGATION COMPANY.

New York \$20,000,000 Concern—Airships 700
Feet Long With Accommodation
for 100 Persons.

New York, Dec. 31.—Announcement was made yesterday of the proposed organization of the Aerial Navigation Company, with principal offices in New York City, and a capital of \$20,000,000. Thomas Wood Barnes, known in connection with large Chinese railway operations, is to be president of the new company, and Lewis Nixon, the well known shipbuilder, is to serve as chief engineer and superintendent of construction. Other men of prominence, it is stated, are interested in the company. The company proposes to build airships 700 feet or more in length, with a diameter of about eighty feet, and with accommodation for at least 100 people.

FRANCO-CANADIAN TREATY.

London Times' Paris Correspondent
Says Hon. W. S. Fielding Will
Succeed in Getting Ratification.

London, Dec. 31.—The Times' Paris correspondent says there is reason to believe that Hon. W. S. Fielding will succeed in obtaining the ratification of the Franco-Canadian treaty and points out that if Germany also obtains the advantage of the Canadian middle tariff the value of British preference will almost disappear.

DEATH OF U. S. CONSUL.

Kenora, Ont., Dec. 31.—John Dean, United States consul here, and secretary of the board of trade, is dead from diabetes. He was well known throughout the west.

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All \$18 values. Sale Price.... **\$9.00**
All \$20 values. Sale Price.... **\$10.00**
All \$25 values. Sale Price.... **\$12.50**
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Dressing Gowns, regular \$3.75. Sale..... **\$2.75**
Dressing Gowns, regular \$4.75. Sale..... **\$3.75**
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THE DYING YEAR.

"Shake hands before you die, old year, we'll rue for you," says the poet Tenyson in bidding farewell to the dying year. The sentiments of the great bard who is himself numbered with the departed can hardly be endorsed by Canadians. The old year has been good to us, whatever may have been the experience of the people of other lands. During the year now in the throes of dissolution peace has reigned within our borders and plenty has not been confined within the walls of palaces. While we see with sorrow that large numbers of people in various centres of the old world and in a considerable number of centres in the new are suffering for lack of the necessities of life and that the compassionate hand of charity has been more widely extended than for many years, in Canada we have had an exceedingly abundant harvest, and consequently we have felt but slightly the depression which has been world-wide. It is true that, out of sympathy with the conditions in the United States and in Europe, there has been a slight lull in manufacturing and in general business in Canada, but on the whole the masses of the people have been well employed, and the circumstances of the country as the year becomes a mere matter of record are much more satisfactory than was anticipated a few months ago.

The citizens of Victoria, looking back, have absolutely no reason to rue the year 1908. From a purely material point of view it has been one of the most active periods in our history. The business vitality of the community has not been affected by the fitful fever of a boom. Progress has been solid, substantial and steady. The prospects for the future are brighter than they ever were before, based upon facts which are apparent to the eye and the understanding. Nor has the advancement noted been confined to the things of least consequence. While there may still be, as there always will be, ample scope for the energies of the reformer of abuses, moral and social, in Victoria as elsewhere, there is still substantial reason for thankfulness that from an ethical point of view, as the situation is reviewed at the end of the year, the city is neither going backward nor standing still.

No, when the account is balanced, we cannot sincerely say that the old year has been either unprofitable or unkind. We have no reason whatever to rue it. We are sorry to bid it goodbye. It has, after the manner of its predecessors, left a train of sorrow and bereavement behind. But these things are the common lot. We must bear them with becoming resignation. The young year will be born to-night amidst a great clamor and loud rejoicings. It would hardly be in harmony with the spirit of the season to point a moral based upon the experiences of the past and to suggest a more sober, sedate, and what the philosopher would term a more becoming welcome. Such advice at such a season would be, perhaps, inappropriate. It would not be

listened to for a moment. The popular sentiment for the occasion has been expressed by the poet quoted above: "Ring out, wild bells, to this wild sky, The flying cloud, the frosty light: The year is dying in the night: Ring out, wild bells, and let him die."

CABINET REPRESENTATION.

We regret more than we can fittingly express to observe that the passing of the year brings no seasonable thoughts to the mind of the Colonist. Our contemporary is itself well stricken in years, and ought to consider that as the year is dying, so there must be an end to all things earthly—an end even to political ill-will and to personal rancor.

Only the other day the newspaper in question, having as it appears to believe, washed away the stains left upon its poor soul by mendacious conduct in the recent political campaign, announced that it had again mounted the stool of political repentance. It was once more independent in its views. Today it fell from its self-erected eminence and its fall proves the hypocrisy of its pretensions. It is independent to the extent, and no more, that it would advocate the election of either the member for Nanaimo or the member for Comox-Atlin by acclamation as a representative of British Columbia in the Dominion government, but it would oppose the election of Mr. Templeman if either one of the said constituencies were opened for him in accordance with the desires of the Premier. There would be objections to the election by acclamation of the Minister, we are told. It would be interesting to read a statement of the objections.

The Colonist has repeatedly stated its belief that Mr. Templeman had administered his department satisfactorily. Neither did it raise any objection to him personally. Its sole reason for asking the electors to defeat him was because the policy of the government in regard to Asiatic immigration did not meet with its approval. The rebuke asked for has been administered. Our contemporary's objection has been sustained by a majority of thirteen votes. But, if either Mr. Smith or Mr. Sloan became a member of the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, he would also become subject to and responsible for the policy of that government. On what logical grounds, therefore, does our contemporary take the position that under a given set of conditions Mr. Templeman should be opposed, while under conditions precisely similar either Mr. Smith or Mr. Sloan should be given a seat by acclamation? Is it because the present Minister of Inland Revenue is a resident of Victoria, and might naturally be expected to be more mindful of Victoria's interests than a non-resident, that the Colonist honors him with its hostility? Does our contemporary take the position that the province of British Columbia should carry its disapproval of the course of the Laurier government on the one matter of Asiatic immigration to the point of disdaining and niggling from it representation in that government for a term of five years, and possibly for many years thereafter, because there are provinces aising which will be sure to press their claims? That is practically the position in which the Colonist would place the province in the event of the rumor upon which it bases its remarks proving correct. But it is not true that Mr. Templeman has been given a few days in which to find a seat, and that he may be called upon to vacate his department by the middle of the month in the event of not succeeding. Mr. Templeman's resignation, has been in the hands of the Premier for several weeks. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, whose character is possibly beyond the comprehension of the Colonist in that he is loyal and true to his friends and associates, has thus far refused to accept the resignation. All that is known definitely is that the Premier is anxious to retain the minister in the government, and will facilitate to the utmost of his power any arrangement that can be made for that purpose.

THE ITALIAN CALAMITY.

Experience suggested that possibly the first reports of the extent of the disaster in Southern Italy would be modified by later news. But it appears the loss of life has been even greater than first advices indicated. It was almost beyond the conception of press correspondents, who are usually most liberal in their computations upon such occasions. The convulsion or upheaval overtook the inhabitants in the midst of the Christmas festival, and almost in the twinkling of an eye a territory of considerable extent thickly populated was transformed from a place of joy into a place of mourning, or perhaps a place of lamentation would be a more fitting description. The year 1908 will be a memorable one for Calabria and Sicily. Of course instant measures will be taken for the relief of the stricken people. The response will be hearty and generous. The Parliament of Canada will doubtless vote a handsome sum; the governments of the United States and of most European countries will also give in proportion to their means. The survivors will not lack the necessities of life. They will be provided for. Their own government has already taken measures for their relief. But the harrowing thought for those directly affected and

FOR EARTHQUAKE SUFFERERS

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 31.—The Board of Control has voted five thousand dollars for the relief of the sufferers by the Italian Sicilian earthquake.

a melancholy reflection for those not directly affected, is the utter impossibility of giving timely relief to the wounded and the thousands still alive but buried and unable to release themselves from the ruins.

The restoration of communication in the region of the earthquake's disaster may yet prove that the loss of life was not so great as later reports would lead the world to believe. The tendency to magnify is natural under such circumstances because of the appalling effect upon the imagination of the earth convulsion. We shall continue to cherish the hope that investigation will result in a modification of the tragic details.

To-morrow, New Year's Day, will be observed as a public holiday throughout Canada. It is the first statutory holiday of the year. As business generally will be suspended in Victoria and elsewhere, the Times will not be issued in the evening, and we take this opportunity of wishing all Victorians and all visitors to Victoria a happy and prosperous new year.

Hiram Maxim may know what he is talking about when he says Britain's greatest danger—in the future will be "from the air." In the meantime a good deal of the stuff placed before the people at the present time may be truly classed as "hot air."

THE GOD OF SPEED.

As the world's activities broaden we must go faster. The recent increase in speed records makes one wonder if it is possible for the future to excel them. Charles H. Cochrane, however, makes some remarkable deductions in his astonishing article, "Speed on the Land, on the Sea, and in the Air," which appears in the November Metropolitan Magazine.

For convenience in comparing speeds made on land by various vehicles, as well as by horses and men, the following table of mile records has been prepared:

Table with 2 columns: Vehicle type and Time. Electric locomotive, 27 seconds, 1903. Automobile, 23 1/2 seconds, 1902. Steam locomotive, 23 seconds, 1893. Motor-paced cycle, 1 minute 6 1/2 seconds, 1904. Bicycle, unpaced, 1 minute 40 2/5 seconds, 1904. Running horse, 1 minute 35 1/2 seconds, 1890. Facing horse, 1 minute 55 seconds, 1905. Trotting horse, 1 minute 58 1/2 seconds, 1905. Man skating, 2 minutes 36 seconds, 1896. Man running, 4 minutes 12 1/2 seconds, 1887. Man walking, 6 minutes 23 seconds, 1890.

It will be observed that the difference between the locomotives and the automobile is trifling. For 100 miles the record of the steam locomotive is much better than that of the auto. However, both the electric locomotive and the auto may be expected to show further improvement as their development is incomplete, while their steam brother has attained about the limit. It is also interesting to note that a so-called automobile locomotive has been constructed, this being a railway locomotive designed to use gas, after the fashion of a gasoline auto. The horse racing and foot racing records added to the table were all made in recent years. Evidently we breed better and train better than ever before.

ANTIQUITY OF THE DOLL.

Who played with the first doll? How was it fashioned? When and where was it born? are questions easily asked, but not so easily answered. We must search the archives of the past, we must go to buried Egypt, to pagan Rome, to India, the wonderland of the world, as far back as documentary evidence, or legend, or myth will carry us we find dolls; no recorded history goes back to the time when there were no dolls.

They are found in the sanctuary of the pagan, in the tombs of the dead; pictured in quatit and sometimes awkward lines in plaster and stone that have withstood the elements for thousands of years. Since time was they have been, apparently, the presiding deity of the hearthstone and the cradle. Most people would subscribe to the popular theory—that the mother impulse is strong in every child that is born, must have some object upon which to lavish her childish affection, and that the most natural object is a doll built on somewhat the same lines as the baby brother or sister or some of the "grown ups" of the family.

I have gathered the opinions of various early and classic writers, all of which seem to me to point to the fact that the doll, as the image of a human or superhuman creature was first used, as so many other articles and customs were, in religious ceremonies, probably in India, perhaps in Egypt, possibly in China. That dolls were common in the time of Moses is certain, for we read that in those serophaht, which are frequently found in Egypt, there have been found beside the poor little mummies, pathetically comical little imitations of themselves, placed there by loving mothers, within reach of the cold little baby fingers.

In "Ave Roma Immortalia" Marion Crawford speaks of children's dolls of centuries ago, "made of rags and stuffed with the waste from their mother's spindles and looms." He also tells of effigies of bullrushes, which the Pontiffs and Vestals came to throw into the Tiber from the Subulcan bridge on the Ides of May.

When Herculesneum was being excavated, there was found the figure of a little girl with a doll clasped in her arms so tightly that not even death could divide them.—From "The Doll Book," by Laura B. Star.

HORROR GROWING IN MAGNITUDE

OFFICIAL ESTIMATE OF EARTHQUAKE'S DEAD

Number May Greatly Exceed 115,000—Scenes of the Weirdest Description.

Rome, Dec. 31.—Slowly the measure of the disaster that has depopulated Calabria and eastern Sicily, is being taken and as the reports accumulate, it is seen that the estimates in no sense exaggerated the horror and extent of the visitation. An official estimate places the dead at 115,000, but there is reason to believe these numbers may be greatly exceeded.

To-day the pitiable plight of the survivors claims universal attention. The relief of their sufferings calls for the concentrated effort of all the energies of the nation. The dead are dead, but countless thousands of half-demented, naked, and starving survivors, wounded and unburied, are crying piteously for food, water, clothing, shelter and medical attention.

No news yet has been received of any of the Americans thought to have been in the devastated district, excepting the Rev. David Seassums, of New Orleans, and his daughter Alice, who are safe at Rome.

It is estimated that 100,000 people have fled from the desolated territory in fear of further convulsions.

BUILDING IN THE PAST YEAR

RECORD OVER MILLION AND A QUARTER

These Figures Are Exclusive of the Large Values in Suburbs.

The building inspector has closed his books for 1908 and shows a total value of building during the year, for which permits have been issued, of \$1,300,700. The list, with the exception of the few taken out this week, appeared in these columns a few days ago.

In addition to this, there has been \$4,000 worth of work done by the Dominion government on the immigration hall and post office, and \$3,000 by the provincial government at Government House, for which no permits were required. Estimating another \$100,000 for minor repair work which did not make a permit necessary, the total value of the buildings erected this year is \$1,335,500. This is only \$120,000 less than last year, but in a sense represents much more building, as the figures last year were helped out by some large amounts, such as the expenditure on St. Joseph's hospital addition and part of the cost of the Empress hotel.

The last permit of the year was issued to Mrs. Annie Hill for a residence on Queen's avenue, to cost \$2,000. These figures of course do not include the work done in Oak Bay, Esquimalt and parts of Saanich municipality, where there has been wonderful activity.

SOCIAL EVENING.

Choir of First Presbyterian Church Enjoy Hospitality of Mayor and Mrs. Hall.

Last evening at the home of Mayor Hall the choir of the First Presbyterian church spent a most enjoyable time. Three presentations were made during the evening. J. G. Brown the veteran choir-master was presented with a mahogany music case accompanied by an address, Mr. Shields and Mr. Gleason were remembered for their efforts in aid of the enterprises of the choir. A choice programme was given in which Messrs. Morrison, Adamson, McDonald, Redman, G. C. Brown and Campbell, and Mrs. J. Laeg took part. During the evening a musical concert was conducted, the first prize being an ink bottle in an oak stand, which was won by Donald Fraser. Refreshments were served during the evening. Before the gathering broke up votes of thanks were tendered the host and hostess, Mayor and Mrs. Hall.

TIDE TABLE.

Tide table for Victoria, B. C., December 31, 1908. Columns include Date, Time Ht. Time Lt., Time Ht. Time Lt. with corresponding tide heights.

The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. The height is in feet and tenths of foot above the average level of the lowest low water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the datum to which the soundings on the charts of the coast of British Columbia are reduced. No man has occasion to apologize for doing his duty.

Advertisement for David Spencer Limited. Text: "We Take This Opportunity Of Wishing Our Friends and Patrons a Happy and Prosperous New Year". "Saturday's 'Times' Will Contain a Big List of January Sale Bargains On Sale Monday Morning January 4th". "DAVID SPENCER LIMITED".

Advertisement for Thorpe's Pale Dry Ginger Ale. Text: "Thorpe's Pale Dry Ginger Ale". "Prize Medal and Diploma at World's Fair".

Advertisement for Walter S. Fraser & Co. Limited. Text: "Walter S. Fraser & Co. Limited. Dealers in GENERAL HARDWARE FOR NEW YEAR'S GIFTS". Lists various hardware items like carvers, razors, pocket knives, etc. Price \$60.

Advertisement for Thomson Stationery Co. Text: "THOMSON STATIONERY CO. 325 HASTINGS ST. VANCOUVER, B. C. PHONE 3520".

Advertisement for Deaville, Sons & Co. Text: "Our Stock of Christmas Groceries Is on Hand WE HAVE ALSO BEAUTIFUL BOXES OF CHOCOLATES, FROM 10c TO \$3.50". "DEAVILLE, SONS & CO. HILLSIDE AVE. AND FIRST ST. PHONE 324".

Advertisement for Otto Higell Piano Action. Text: "When buying your Piano insist on having an 'OTTO HIGELL' Piano Action". "Subscribe for The Times".

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TIMES AD. CALENDAR

DECEMBER

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Local News

Saws sharpened and gummed. Sign of the Big Key, 61 Fort street.

January Bargain Sale.—Special reductions on all lines for this sale. You can save money by buying at Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates Street.

Heavy bark wood, cut 12 inches for grate and heater. Cameron Lumber Company, Ltd., Phone 519.

To Seattle 25c, S.S. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

If you want to buy, sell or exchange anything, call at Brown's Auction Mart, 742 Fort street.

Old pianos made new, scrapped off and finished in any color desired.—The Woodworkers, Ltd., 731 Johnson street, Phone 1185.

January Bargain Sale.—Blankets, Comforters, White and Colored Quilts, Sheetings, Towels, Flannelettes, Hosiery and Underwear all at reduced prices for this sale. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates Street.

Do not forget that you can get an express or truck at any hour you may wish. Always keep your checks until you have seen us, as we will save you the 10c on each trunk you have to pay to baggage agents on trains and boats. We will check your baggage from your hotel or residence, also store it, see us before you make your arrangements. We guarantee to satisfy everyone on price and the way we handle your goods. We consider it a favor if you will report any overcharges or incivility on part of our help.

Pacific Transfer Company, Phone 349, 53 Fort St.

Liberal Rooms. Phone 1794.

To Seattle 25c, S.S. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

Ten per cent off all bon-bons until New Year's day. A few nice ones left at Acton Bros., 550 Yates. Telephone 1061.

Two Sale Specials for Saturday.—White and Colored English Quilts, 55c; large size White and Brown Bath Towels, 15c each. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates Street.

To Seattle 25c, S.S. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

Just arrived a shipment of fine Australian butter—2 lbs. for 75c. Acton Bros., 550 Yates street.

Office and pocket diaries in all sizes. Also complete office outfits to be had at the Standard Stationery Co., 1220 Government street.

A dramatic and musical entertainment will be given on the evening of New Year's Day by the King's Daughters of Methuon, in the Metropolitan hall. The farce, "Cressed," will be produced by local amateurs. Refreshments will be served. All friends from the town are cordially invited to attend.

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All deacons of the First Baptist church are requested to meet to-night at 9:30 o'clock in Victoria hall, as business of importance will be discussed.

Geo. Collins, the pugnacious San Francisco lawyer who played such an important part in extradition proceedings here a few years ago, is again in the California courts. He is applying for a writ of habeas corpus.

Fred Van Sickle, the local barber who was connected with the shooting affray in San Francisco, will it is believed be allowed to go free without punishment. The woman who was shot proves to have been only slightly wounded and refuses to prosecute.

Kirk & Co., Ltd., recently organized to engage in the manufacture of soda water and ice, was duly incorporated yesterday. The following directors were appointed: C. W. Kirk, William Mable and C. L. Kirk. The capital stock of the company is \$10,000.

The year closed in the city police court with a clean sheet. There has been an almost entire absence of offences of any sort on the calendar during the holiday season, testifying to the efficiency of the police force and the regard for the law always shown in Victoria.

William Scott, re-enslaving ward three in the Saanich council, will likely be a candidate again this year, owing to the strong representations made by his friends to consent to run. E. H. Sewell, whose name has been mentioned, will not be a candidate at the approaching election.

OPENED JAPANESE HOME.

Enjoyable Evening at Methodist Mission on Pandora Avenue.

The formal opening of the new Japanese Mission property, on Pandora avenue, lately known as the Corona house, but now acquired by the Methodist church for their work among the Japanese of this city, took place last evening.

The rooms were crowded by an interested audience of English speaking and Chinese people as well as by the Japanese themselves. P. E. Kawabara, the missionary in charge, occupied the chair, and called upon the speakers and others, who were to take part in the programme. The children from the Chinese home delighted the audience, as usual, with their singing. Some well given recitations of portions of the scripture in English were given by the members of the missions, and a Japanese song was illustrated by appropriate motions by a very agile son of the Empire.

Speeches were delivered by Revs. John Robson, B. A., of Nanaimo, and S. J. Thompson, Miss Preston, who had spent many years in Japan, spoke to the natives of that country in their own tongue, and Mr. Kanazawa, Methodist missionary of Vancouver, gave an interesting address in the same language. There were other short speeches, and at the close the presents from a large Christmas tree were distributed to all the visitors, and refreshments were served.

VALUED DOG SHOT.

Steps Are Taken to Punish Those Who Are Responsible for Act.

Another instance of unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of those who carry guns in the woods around the city occurred last Sunday at Somers Lake when two youths, with a .22 rifle are reported to have taken a pet shot at R. R. Smith's prize Irish Setter bitch. The dog has since died.

Mr. Smith, who is a resident of Victoria West, was out with Mr. Tait. While his bitch was industriously working in search of game one of the lads, with the rifle in hand, is alleged to have shot the dog. While Mr. Tait went to the dog Mr. Tait cured the boy, who claimed the shot had been fired at a chicken. The boys were taken to Duncan and placed in charge of the authorities, who undertook to investigate. Nellie, the dog in question, was specially prized, having won the open and winner's classes at the last Victoria and Vancouver shows.

PANTAGES THEATRE.

Amusing Features of Bill at House This Week.

Despite the fact that the main attraction announced for Pantages this week did not arrive and its place was necessarily filled by acts of minor merit, there are pleasing features about the show taken as a whole. The burlesque musical offering by "Silent" Tait and his wife a full of lighter surprises and keeps the audience in a continual state of merriment. Sinal, the Russian violinist, plays some very pleasing selections, and the shadow-graph exhibition of the Durybelle sisters is interesting. The above numbers assisted by the Crane Bros. as "Mud-town Rubes," Jean Clipper, Harry DeVerra with a song illustration and the biograph showing the "Effects of a Shave" makes up the revised programme.

The annual Sunday school entertainment of St. Saviour's church will be held on Thursday evening, January 14th.

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CORNELL MINE SHIPS HIGH GRADE ORE

Texada Island is again coming into prominence from a mining standpoint. This time it is the Cornell mine that is producing high class ore. S. G. Faulkner, treasurer and president of the Northern Texas Mine, Limited, which owns the Cornell mine, paid a flying visit to Victoria yesterday.

He has decided to ship his ore to the Tye smelter at Ladysmith, and received yesterday the assay results of the first shipment of ore from the new bodies cut a few weeks ago. The first class ore netted over \$20 per ton, after payment of all freight and smelter charges, and Mr. Faulkner is evidently well pleased with the result, which is convincing proof of the value of the recent discoveries.

WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Victoria—Religious Office, December 29 to 31, 1908.

Victoria—Bright sunshine recorded, 12 hours; highest temperature, 53 on 29th; lowest, 35 on 29th; rain, 2.8 inches.

Vancouver—Bright sunshine recorded, 11 hours 54 minutes; highest temperature, 50 on 29th; lowest, 39 on 29th; rain, 2.18 inches.

New Westminster—Highest temperature, 48 on 29th; lowest, 38 on 29th; rain, 2.38 inches.

Kamloops—Highest temperature, 46 on 29th; lowest, 39 on 29th; precipitation, .15 inch.

Barkerville—Highest temperature, 52 on 29th and 27th; lowest, 19 on 29th; snow, 12.4 inches.

Alton—Highest temperature, 46 on 29th; lowest, 22 below zero on 29th; snow, 10 inch.

Dawson—Highest temperature, 3 on 29th; lowest, 48 below zero on 29th; snow, 2.4 inches.

DAVID'S TEAM DEFEATED FAIRALL'S FIVE IN LAST NIGHT'S COMPETITION.

On the elite bowling alley in the house league last night David's team won from Fairall's five by 124 pins. The scores were as follows:

Name	Total Ave.
David	452 231
Cusack	454 169
Milmoyley	493 164
Archibald	482 161
Stevens	516 115

Name	Total Ave.
Fairall	257 126
Petticrew	554 196
Harris	624 145
Holley	581 137
Bell	100 100

Petticrew had the highest score, 212, and also the highest average, 196.

Monday night Hick's team will play Aaronson's five.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 31—5 a. m.—The northern high barometer area has greatly increased and now covers the entire Middle and West provinces and states, and the west provinces and states are intensely cold; on the Pacific slope the pressure is lowest on the Californian coast, and snow is falling on the plateau districts in Eastern Oregon and Washington.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday. Victoria and vicinity—Northerly and easterly winds, chiefly cloudy and cold, with snow to-night or Friday.

Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, mostly cloudy and cold, with snow to-night or Friday.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, 35; minimum, 25; wind, 12 miles N. E.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, 38; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.42; temperature, 5; minimum, 6; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 5 miles N.; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, 22 below; minimum, 26 below; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

The regular meeting of the Victoria Laborers' Protective Union has been postponed from Friday evening, January 1st, to Tuesday evening, January 5th, at which time all members are requested to be in attendance.

NEW YEAR'S SERVICES IN THE CHURCHES

Many Congregations Will Worship at Midnight Hour—Other Arrangements.

To-day closes the year 1908 and at midnight the new year will be ushered in with the usual accompaniment. While vast throngs will doubtless celebrate the event on the street with the dim of strange noises, others will as usual await the passing of the old and the advent of the new in their homes.

In many of the churches there will be watch night services, while to-morrow, New Year's day, several of the city churches will be open for worship.

At St. Barnabas' church Rev. E. G. Miller will conduct services beginning at 11.30 and continuing until after midnight.

At St. John's church, with Rev. A. Stanley Ard officiating, similar services will be held, commencing at the same hour.

At the Metropolitan Methodist church a social will be held between the hours of 7.30 o'clock and 10.30 o'clock, under the auspices of the Epworth League. A good programme has been prepared, and all those who attend are assured a good time. At 11.15 o'clock the watch night services will commence and be continued until midnight. Rev. T. E. Holling will conduct the services.

At the Centennial Methodist church services will commence at 11 o'clock and last for one hour. A special sermon will be preached by the pastor, Rev. S. J. Thompson.

At 8 o'clock this morning a suitable service will be held in the First Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. Campbell will preach on that occasion.

At St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, instead of a watch night service, there will be a special service at 8 o'clock, when the pastor, Rev. C. E. Cooper, will probably read the Litany in addition to special prayers, and deliver a suitable address. It will not exceed an hour in length.

The First Baptist congregation will hold watch night services to-night, commencing at 8 o'clock in Victoria hall.

The usual watch night service will be held in the Church of Our Lord, commencing at 11 p. m. and closing shortly after midnight. Members of other churches which do not hold a similar service are asked to unite in this service.

A New Year's eve social and watch night service will be held this evening at the home of Rev. A. E. Roberts, pastor of Victoria West Methodist church. The social will begin at 8 o'clock and at 11 p. m. the service will be held, finishing with the sound of the midnight chimes. It is expected that a large number of the congregation will be present.

On New Year's morning at 11 o'clock in the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Rev. W. Leslie Clay will preach an appropriate sermon.

Morning prayer, with probably an address, will be held at 11 o'clock to-morrow, in Christ Church cathedral, when the bishop will be present. The communion service will also be celebrated at 8 a. m., the festival of the Saviour's circumcision falling upon New Year's day.

The annual meeting for believers will be held at Gospel hall, Pandora street, on New Year's day, at 10 a. m., 2 and 7 p. m. On January 2nd services will be held at 3 and 7 p. m., and on January 3rd at 3 and 7 p. m. These meetings are open to all, and it is specially requested that all those who are interested in the study of the Scripture will attend.

BOWLING COMPETITION.

David's Team Defeated Fairall's Five in Last Night's Competition.

On the elite bowling alley in the house league last night David's team won from Fairall's five by 124 pins. The scores were as follows:

Name	Total Ave.
David	452 231
Cusack	454 169
Milmoyley	493 164
Archibald	482 161
Stevens	516 115

Name	Total Ave.
Fairall	257 126
Petticrew	554 196
Harris	624 145
Holley	581 137
Bell	100 100

Petticrew had the highest score, 212, and also the highest average, 196.

Monday night Hick's team will play Aaronson's five.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 31—5 a. m.—The northern high barometer area has greatly increased and now covers the entire Middle and West provinces and states, and the west provinces and states are intensely cold; on the Pacific slope the pressure is lowest on the Californian coast, and snow is falling on the plateau districts in Eastern Oregon and Washington.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday. Victoria and vicinity—Northerly and easterly winds, chiefly cloudy and cold, with snow to-night or Friday.

Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, mostly cloudy and cold, with snow to-night or Friday.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, 35; minimum, 25; wind, 12 miles N. E.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, 38; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.42; temperature, 5; minimum, 6; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 5 miles N.; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, 22 below; minimum, 26 below; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

The regular meeting of the Victoria Laborers' Protective Union has been postponed from Friday evening, January 1st, to Tuesday evening, January 5th, at which time all members are requested to be in attendance.

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UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB HOLDS RECEPTION
Pleasant Evening Spent—Number of Visitors From Vancouver Present.
Last evening at the Alexandra Club rooms the University Women's Club, of Victoria, held their first reception. There were about a hundred guests present, besides ten members of the University Women's Club, of Vancouver, in whose honor the reception was given. Mrs. H. E. Young, president of the Victoria Society, and the guest of honor, Mrs. J. W. Lohr. Mrs. Farris, president of the University Women's Club, of Vancouver, received. The rooms of the Alexandra Club were tastefully decorated with Christmas greens, ivy and holly.
The following musical programme was given during the evening:
Vocal Solo—Only a Rose
Youth—Gideon Hicks
Piano Solo—Cantique d'Amour
List Miss McCreary.
Vocal Solo—If I Had a Dolly
Mrs. De Boyce Sprague.
Vocal Solo—Das Meer Hat Seine Perlen
If in the Great Bazaars
Clement Goss.
Piano Solo—Miss Olson.
Vocal Solo—Thou Wert Blind
If I Had a Dolly
Mrs. Cordelia Grylls.
Miss Grylls sang as an encore "The Lass With the Delicate Air."
The visitors from Vancouver included: Mrs. J. W. Lohr, Mrs. Farris, Miss Ross, Dr. Urquhart (chairman of the executive committee), Mrs. J. H. McGill, Miss Lavender, Miss McClugan, Miss Cumming, Miss McQueen, Miss Matheson, Miss Beharrel, Miss Dallas and Miss Van Blarcom.
Others present were: Bishop and Mrs. Perrin, Consul and Mrs. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. Hasell, Mrs. (Dr.) Watt, Miss Cann, Miss Smith, Miss Burris, Miss Whelan, Miss Henry, Miss Annie Fraser (Seattle), Miss Macdonald (Nanaimo), Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Drury, Mrs. James Thompson, Rev. W. Leslie and Mrs. Clay, Miss Lane, Miss McKeand, Mrs. Simpson-Hayles, Mrs. Sprague, Miss Cordelia Grylls, Mrs. and Miss McCreary, Miss Amy MacSwain, Mrs. Jenkins, the Misses Hill, Miss Fraser, A. T. Goward, Gordon Hicks, Clement Goss, Miss D. Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hayward, Capt. and Mrs. Clark, Miss Olmsted, Miss Ross, Miss Beharrel, Miss Dallas and a number of others.
This afternoon a meeting will be held in the Carnegie library, at which papers will be read by Mrs. Farris, of Vancouver, and Miss Fraser, of Seattle.

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SHEETINGS, TOWELS, TOWELLINGS, TABLE LINENS, NAPKINS, TABLECLOTHS, PLAIN LINENS—All sold at a discount of 15% during first ten days of our January Sale.

Odd Lines

Children's School Handkerchiefs, regular 50c dozen, for 25c
 Dent's lined Gloves, fur top, in blacks and dark browns, sizes 7 1/2, 8, 8 1/2 only. Regular \$1.25. Sale price 75c
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 Dent's Dogskin Gauntlet Gloves, regular \$2.00. Sale price \$1.50
 Bobinet Ruffled Curtains, 1 pair only. Reg. \$6.00 for \$4.00
 Irish Point Curtains, 3 pair only. Reg. \$6.50. Sale \$3.95
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 Irish Point Curtains, 1 pair only. Reg. \$2.50. Sale \$1.80
 Irish Point Curtains, 2 pair only. Regular \$6.75. Sale \$4.95
 Irish Point Curtains, 1 pair only. Regular \$7.75. Sale \$5.50
 Irish Point Curtains, 2 pair only. Regular \$8.00. Sale \$5.00
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Fancy Suitings in satin stripes, 44 inch Regular \$1.50 for 90c
 Checked Venetian Cloth, in grey and green only. Regular \$1.50 for 90c
 Tweeds for Children's Dresses and Ladies' Rainy Day Skirts in good stripes. Reg. 15c and 90c for 10c
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 Colored Serges for suits and skirts, in browns, greens and blues. 54 in. Reg. \$1.50 for 90c
 Heavy Tweeds for Coats and Walking Skirts, 54 in. Reg. \$1.50 and \$1.75 for \$1.00
 All our exclusive Suit Lengths, only one of each shade and design are all marked down to January Sale Prices.

Silks

Fancy Floral designs, regular \$1.25 yard. Polka Dot Silks, regular 65c and an assortment of plain Peau de Sole Tussahs and other Silks from 50c to \$1.00 yard, all to be put out at, yard
 Fancy Lustres in light shades for Waists and children's wear, 27 in. Reg. 60c for 45c
 Fancy Challies, good patterns. Regular 40c for 25c
 Fancy all wool French Flannels in spots and stripes, 27 in. Reg. 60c for 35c
 Plain French Flannel, light blue only, 27 inch. Regular 50c for 35c
 Fancy Nun's Velling for Blouses, silk embroidered spots, Reg. 75c for 40c
 Fancy Striped Wool Vellies for waists. Regular \$1.00 for 60c
JAEGER'S PURE WOOL UNDERWEAR, for ladies and children, all to be sold one-third less than marked prices.

Underwear

LADIES' WHITE FLEECE LINED VESTS AND DRAWERS, regular 40c, a garment 25c
 Regular 60c, a garment 45c
 Regular 75c, a garment 50c
WATSON'S UNSHRINKABLE WHITE, reg. \$1.00. Sale 75c
 Regular \$1.65. Sale \$1.30
 Regular \$1.40. Sale \$1.00
 Grey, regular 75c and \$1.00. Sale 50c
LADIES' TURNBULL COMBINATIONS, in natural wool, regular \$2.25. Sale \$1.75
LADIES' SWISS COMBINATIONS, white; regular \$3.25. Sale \$2.00
 Regular \$2.50. Sale \$1.60
CHILDREN'S GERMAN MAKE NATURAL WOOL VESTS, heavy; regular 85c to \$1.25. Marked at HALF PRICE
CHILDREN'S WATSON UNSHRINKABLE VESTS, sizes 12 and 11; regular 40 and 45c, for 25c
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 Sizes 18 and 20; regular 55c, for 35c
 Sizes 22 and 24; regular 60c and 65c, for 40c
 Sizes 26 and 28; regular 75c, for 50c

Corsets

CHILDREN'S CORSET WAISTS, in drab and white; odd lines clearing out at, pair 25c
 CHILDREN'S CORSET WAISTS; regular 80c. Sale price 50c
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LADIES' CORSET WAISTS; regular \$1.25. Sale price 75c
ODD LINES OF CROMPTON CORSETS; regular prices from \$1.00 to \$1.25. All marked to, pair 50c
AMERICAN LADY CORSETS, Mightybone; regular \$3.00 for \$1.75
 No. 324; regular \$1.75 for \$1.00
LADIES' TAPE GIRDLES; regular 50c and 75c, for 35c
 Regular \$1.25, for 75c

Millinery

All Trimmed Hats for Ladies
 Children's Trimmed Hats
 Ladies' and Children's Untrimmed Hats
 Marked Down to January Sale Prices

Dress Goods

BLACK FANCY STRIPED VOILE, for evening wear, 44 inch. Regular \$1.40, for 85c
FANCY BLACK CHECK VENETIAN, 47 inch. Regular \$1.50, for 85c
CREPELINE, good for all purposes, 44 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c
FANCY BLACK GREENAIDINES, 42 inch. Regular 75c, for 50c
VERY FINE BLACK STRIPED VOILES, 45 inch. Regular \$2.00, for \$1.25
VERY FINE BLACK CHECK VOILES, 46 inch. Regular \$2.00, for \$1.25
BLACK SATIN STRIPED VOILES, 44 inch. Regular \$1.40, for 85c
BLACK CREPE DE CHENE, wool and silk, 46 inch. Regular \$1.75, for \$1.00
FANCY INVISIBLE CHECK VOILE, 45 inch. Regular \$2.00, for \$1.25
BLACK TAFFETA CLOTH, 44 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c
ALL WOOL BLACK CASHMERE, 44 inch. Regular 75c, for 50c
SILK EMBROIDERED CASHMERE, 44 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c
BLACK VENETIAN CLOTH, 44 inch. Regular 90c, for 55c
BLACK POPLIN, 42 inch. Regular 75c, for 50c
FANCY STRIPED BLACK VOILE, 42 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c
COLORED ALL WOOL SERGES, 46 inch. Regular \$1.25, for 75c
HEAVY DIAGONAL NAVY SERGE, 52 inch. Regular \$2.00, for \$1.15
GREEN VENETIAN SUITING, 46 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 65c
FANCY LUSTRES, in good colorings, 54 inch. Regular \$1.50, for 75c
FANCY TWEEDS, in new stripes and checks, 50 inch. Regular \$1.00, \$1.25, for 80c
PURE WOOL HOMESPUNS, several shades, including black, 54 inch. Regular \$1.40, for 85c
ALL WOOL FANCY STRIPED PANAMAS, 54 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c
FANCY PANAMAS in suit lengths, 54 inch. Regular \$1.75, for \$1.00
FINE FANCY SUITINGS, broken checks and stripes. Regular \$10.50 suit length, for \$6.50

During first ten days of January Sale all goods in the dressgoods and Staple Department not marked at sale prices will have a discount of 15 per cent.
 Many articles not mentioned in this advertisement will be thrown out on the Bargain Tables and will interest you.

DO NOT FORGET THE REMNANT TABLE
 15 per cent. off all Dress Goods and Staples not otherwise marked at Sale Prices during first ten days of our January Sale.
FURS ALL REDUCED
CHILDREN'S FUR SETS ALL REDUCED
FANCY SIDE AND BACK COMBS ALL HALF PRICE
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LOOK THROUGH THE LACES

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Whitewear

CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS, tight back with Fillet lace trimming 30c
FINE CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS, tight fitting, emby trimmed, button front, extra good value 45c
CORSET COVERS with tucked back, draw string around waist, embroidery yoke with embroidery in arm holes and neck, sizes 32 to 42 50c
LADIES' CORSET COVERS, same as above, but trimmed with Torchon insertion, beading and lace with ribbon 60c
FINE CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS, insertion down front and ribbon to draw in around neck 65c
CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS, very fine, insertion trimming back and front, lace edged and beading at neck 75c
GOOD QUALITY CORSET COVERS, made of fine Cambric, trimmed, very good embroidery and beading and satin ribbon 85c
VERY FINE CORSET COVERS with ribbon lacing of extra quality embroidery, tucked back, fine edging in arms and back; something new 1.00

CORSET COVER of checked and flowered muslin, trimmed vail beading with ribbon and vail lace, the latest fad 1.25
EXTRA QUALITY CORSET COVER, with V Fillet lace trimming 30c
 in front and tucked back 2.00
LADIES' DRAWERS, good quality, with hemstitch frill; open and closed, 25 and 27 length 35c
CAMBRIC DRAWERS, Fillet insertion, frills and free edging to match, open and closed, 25 and 27 length, 60c and 65c
CAMBRIC DRAWERS with tucked frills and embroidery trimming 75c
FINE CAMBRIC DRAWERS, extra quality, wide embroidery and frills 1.00
FINE CAMBRIC DRAWERS, with extra fine shadow embroidery 1.25
FINE CAMBRIC DRAWERS, with insertion of shadow and wide embroidery frills, very good value 1.75
LADIES' NIGHT DRESSES of cambric, low neck, short sleeve, linen lace trimmed, length 58 and 60 inch 65c
CAMBRIC NIGHT DRESSES, good value, tucked yokes, V back with hemstitched frills on neck and sleeves 85c



LADIES' SLIPOVER NIGHTGOWNS, trimmed with linen, lace insertion, beading and lace, extra good value 1.00
A NIGHTDRESS of splendid value with tucked and insertion yoke, 3/4 sleeve, V shaple neck and embroidery trimmed 1.00
SLIPOVER NIGHTDRESS with short sleeve, trimmed with fillet lace and beading, yokes with Medallions 1.25
WHITE CAMBRIC UNDERSKIRTS, with tucked lawn and embroidery frills, with dust flounce, \$1.00 and 1.10
FINE CAMBRIC SKIRTS, with wide embroidery tucked frill, \$1.25 and 1.35
FINE CAMBRIC MUSLIN SKIRTS, with frilled lawn dust ruffles and very wide flounce of lawn and insertion, also lace to match; extra good value 1.50
ANOTHER similar to above, with embroidery and tucks 1.60
FINE CAMBRIC SKIRTS with dust ruffles and very wide flounce, with extra wide heavy insertion and tucked with wide heavy lace 1.85
FINE WHITE UNDERSKIRT, wide tucked flounce and heavy embroidery edging 2.05
MISSSES' WHITE UNDERSKIRTS, very fine cambric, with frills and insertion and embroidery to match, 30 and 32 length 1.35

EXTRA FINE UNDERSKIRT, with wide tucked and hemstitched lawn frill edge with blind and shadow embroidery, also dust frill 2.25
FINE CAMBRIC NIGHTDRESSES, square insertion yoke, with beading and ribbon, lace trimmed sleeves with beading and frills of lace 1.35
 With embroidery and insertion 1.40
CAMBRIC NIGHTGOWN, with square yoke back and front, very fine insertion with tucks and embroidery trimmed 1.50
SLIPOVER NIGHTGOWN of very fine muslin with short sleeve, trimmed, very fine embroidery and handsome allover embroidery yoke, finished with very narrow embroidery heading 1.75
ANOTHER very handsome Slipover Nightdress, with 3/4 sleeve, trimmed embroidery, beading and cuff of shadow embroidery, Medallion trimmed yoke with beading and ribbon 2.25
UNDERSKIRTS of white cambric muslin flounces of lawn, trimmed torchon lace, length 38, 40, 42 75c
WHITE CAMBRIC SKIRTS, tucked and heavy lace trimmed 85c
WHITE CAMBRIC MUSLIN SKIRTS, tucked and hemstitched frill with dust flounce 90c

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GOOD BLANKETS, size 60x78 inches. January Sale Price, pair \$4.00
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 8 pound, size 68x86 inches. January Sale Price, pr. \$6.75
EXTRA FINE ALL WOOL, size 60x80 inches, 6 lb. January Sale Price, pr. \$6.00
 Size 72x86 inches, 7 lb. January Sale Price, pr. \$7.00
 Size 68x88 inches, 8 lb. January Sale Price, pr. \$8.25
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LADIES' CASHMERE WAISTS, in navy, brown, ivory and black. Regular \$2.00. Sale price \$1.95
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LADIES' WHITE NET WAISTS, regular \$7.25, \$7.50, \$8.75. Sale price \$5.00
 Regular \$9.00, \$9.25, \$10.25, \$11.00. Sale price \$6.50
 Regular \$13.00, \$15.00. Sale price \$10.00
LADIES' ECRU NET WAISTS, regular \$5.50. Sale price \$3.50
 Regular \$6.35, \$9.25. Sale price \$5.00
 Regular \$13.75, \$14.00. Sale price \$10.00
LADIES' BLACK NET WAISTS, regular \$4.75. Sale price \$3.50
 Regular \$8.75, \$9.75. Sale price \$5.00
 Regular \$12.00. Sale price \$8.50
 Regular \$13.75. Sale price \$9.00
 Regular \$16.75. Sale price \$11.00
LADIES' COLORED FLANNELETTE WAISTS, regular \$1.40 and \$1.85. Sale 75c
CHILDREN'S KNITTED NORFOLK GOLFERS, white, red and navy; regular \$2.25. Sale \$1.65
LADIES' KNITTED WAISTCOATS, red, navy and black; regular \$1.25. Sale 85c
GIRLS' FLANNELETTE NIGHTDRESSES, sizes from 4 to 14 years; regular price 80c. Sale price 50c
GIRLS' FLANNELETTE DRAWERS; regular 40c pair. Sale price 25c
LADIES' FLOWERED FLANNELETTE KIMONOS, regular \$2.00. Sale \$1.50
LADIES' EMBROIDERED LINEN WAISTS (not made up), hand-somely embroidered on good linen; regular \$7.95. Sale \$4.50
 Regular \$7.25. Sale \$4.50
 Regular \$8.75. Sale \$4.50
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YOUNG LADIES' WHITE NET AND POINT D'ESPIRIT DRESSES, with silk slip and silk drop skirt; regular \$22.50. Sale \$24.00
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TEN SEEK THE CHALLENGE CUP

MAYOR WILL START RACE AT 10:30 A. M.

Road Runners Are Now Ready for Event Tomorrow.

Ten local runners will start in the Y. M. C. A. road race when Mayor Hall fires the pistol to-morrow morning in front of the association rooms on Broad street at 10:30. The distance is six miles 332 yards, the course being from the Y. M. C. A. to Yates street, to Government street, to Bevilacqua street, to Pendray's paint works, then at right angles till Erie street where the runners turn to the right and continue to Dallas road and on up to the park, twice round the mile track, along Douglas to Superior street, down to Government street and up that thoroughfare to Fort street, thence to Broad street and finish at the Y. M. C. A., where Mayor Hall and R. C. Horn will be waiting to decide the places of the men as they come in. The runners are:

Y. M. C. A.—C. Bayliss, Sproule, Beckwith, Dickson, Kiddle, Dinsdale and McKissock.

J. B. A.—F. Baylis, Esquimalt—Jasper.

Unattached—G. M. Dean.

The officials are: Starter, Mayor Hall; track judge, Arthur Lee; finish judges, Mayor Hall and R. C. Horn.

The prizes are: First, Mayor Hall's challenge cup; second, won twice in succession, and the Y. M. C. A. gold medal; third, silver medal, presented by Brook Vale; third, Y. M. C. A. silver medal.

The measured course is six miles 332 yards, and the distance was done last year by F. Bayliss in 37:40 in bad weather.

The arrangements for the race are now completed and the entries closed. Secretary Kiddle has arranged with Arthur Lee, the track judge, for the loan of his automobile to accommodate the press and collect any who drop out on the way home. Men with flags will be stationed at each turning on the course to direct the runners, who should all be home either by foot or auto shortly after 11 o'clock.

Of the men themselves, Baylis, of the J. B. A., has the reputation as a winner of the best kind and is looked upon to finish the course first. He, however, has two strong opponents in

Dickson and Dean, either of whom should be good for second place if they are beaten by Baylis for first honors. Several of the men have been working hard and will show good form if the weather is favorable, but with wet or windy weather the winner is hard to pick. Baylis, in any weather is a strong, experienced runner, but of the others, with one exception, perhaps, bad weather will prove a big strain. Jasper can go the distance and is a fast man. He has not been seen here on the road, but from his foot work on the soccer field he should have enough for the distance and a fast finish. Dean and Dickson can also go the distance in good time, but just how good cannot be told till Friday morning.

The entries are limited to local men, those who were expected from Nanaimo and Alberni having dropped out. Watson, of Alberni, who is in the city straining a leg muscle this week, and decided not to enter.

DUNCAN C. ROSS IS SEEKING A MATCH

Athlete is Now in City and is Willing to Meet All Comers.

Capt. Duncan C. Ross, champion mounted swordsman of the world, and who in addition is a wrestler and all-round athlete, is in Victoria. Captain Ross is now 63 years of age, but he does not look it. At that advanced age he does not pretend to break any records now, but he is still open to nearly all comers.

Accordingly he says he is ready to meet any wrestler or swordsman in the city, and would be glad to arrange with them a match. He is making his headquarters at the Dominion hotel.

Capt. Ross will probably stay here some time, as he is anxious to establish a club for training in fencing and various other lines of sport. He makes a specialty of the Jujitsu method of training. Anyone anxious to arrange a match with this athlete, who has been before the public for nearly half a century, are asked to communicate with him. In 1883, in defeating H. M. Dufur in mixed style wrestling, he won the world's championship. He still holds the title of the world's best swordsman.

THE KING, \$50,000 REFUSED.

Melbourne, Aus., Dec. 31.—Jeffries has refused John Wren's offer of \$10,000 to return to Melbourne on Cap day, to fight at Melbourne on Cap day. Jeffries states that he will fight no more.

VICTORIA WEST AND NORTH WARD TO TRAVEL

Matches in Island League Second and Junior Divisions.

On New Year's day the Victoria West Association football team leaves on the E. & N. train for Nanaimo, where it will play the second division team of that city in the first of the island league games.

After playing Nanaimo on New Year's afternoon, they leave for Ladysmith the next morning, where they will play the team known as Ladysmith B., which is said to be a very strong aggregation. The boys will return home Saturday evening at 7 o'clock.

For the last two seasons the Victoria West team has won the intermediate championships of Victoria city, Vancouver Island and British Columbia, and have this year all but won the local senior league, as they have only one more game to play, and if they draw this they will win out, so it is more than probable that they will do so. During the three years in which they have been organized they have played in all 34 games, of which they have only lost two, drawn 3, making 29 wins out of 34 games, which is an enviable record.

The management of the team say that they are taking up the strongest team possible, and all of the men are in the pink of condition and anxious to get in the game from start to finish. All players are requested to meet at the E. & N. depot, Store street, at 8:45 Friday morning.

The team certainly looks a strong one. The players are: Beane; backs, White and Prevost; halves, Tait, Petticrew and Kinlock; forwards, Okell, Bailey, Sedger, Thomas and Buxton; reserve, Cowper.

President Alex. Monteith will go up with the boys as manager.

Junior Island Game. North Ward juniors go to Nanaimo on Friday to play the Nanaimo team in the island junior division. The local lads have the reputation of being the fastest junior soccer team in British Columbia. They will take up the strongest team in the club. On Saturday week the postponed game between Ladysmith juniors and North Ward juniors will be played here.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE MEETING LAST NIGHT.

Victoria West and James Bay soccer teams will meet on January 9th in the postponed city league game. This was decided at the league meeting last night. That, if won by the Wests, will do the premiership, otherwise the Wests will require repeating. No other business was fixed for the matches still to be played.

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Mallowdy Glory is the pointer which so far has not yet been beaten.

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EDMONTON FAILS TO LIFT STANLEY CUP

Western Team Wins Second Game From Montreal Wanderers by 7 to 6.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 31.—Edmonton defeated the Wanderers in the second and final game of the Stanley cup series last night in one of the closest and most exciting games witnessed at the Arena in a couple of seasons. The challengers, however, failed to lift the cup, their victory last night being by a score of 7 to 6, while their defeat in the first game was 7 to 3, leaving the Wanderers with a margin of three goals on the total.

Edmonton, with two home players on the team that had been gathered together from all over Canada, proved a 100 per cent. better team than in the first game. Miller and Deaton, who replaced the injured Phillips and McNawara, being the stars of the forward line. Deaton scored three goals and Miller two, and both played hockey of a high order.

For all around work the Edmonton forwards were better than the Wanderers, although the Wanderers' defence was the strongest. Three Wanderer players were benched in the first five minutes of the play, and before they were back in the game, Edmonton had scored two goals. This seemed to upset the home team, and the best they could do was to score one goal before half time, leaving Edmonton in the lead, 2 to 1.

In the second half Edmonton again scored the first two goals, but the next three went to the Wanderers, evening the score, 4 to 4, and killing the western team's chances of winning out on the series.

Of the last five goals Edmonton secured three and the Wanderers two. The score was tied three times in this period, and the crowd of 4,500 were keyed up to a high pitch of excitement.

All species of shellfish draw the carbonate of lime, of which their shells are formed from the sea.

A man's heart beats 31 times a minute when he is standing, 71 times when sitting, and 86 when lying.

BASKETBALL LAST NIGHT'S GAMES.

North Ward won in junior and intermediate basketball last night, beating Esquimalt in the intermediate by 27 to 7, and James Bay in the junior by 24 to 18.

In the junior game between Shamrock and Esquimalt, the former won 24 to 18. High school forfeited to Victoria West. The matches were of poor quality as a whole, as indicated by the margins in the scores.

KAUFMAN WINS IN THIRTY-NINTH

Barry Puts Up Game Struggle in a Disappointing Exhibition.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 31.—Al Kaufman, of San Francisco, won from Jim Barry, of Chicago, last night in the 39th round before the Jeffries Athletic Club. Barry's seconds threw a towel into the ring in the middle of the 39th round after their man had been badly beaten, and was all but out. Barry's chief second stated that both his man's hands were badly injured, and that it was useless for him to continue and suffer punishment.

The Chicago man was game and wanted to continue. He was completely exhausted, and had been put almost out in the previous round. In that round Kaufman sent a hard right to the jaw and Barry went down for the count of 3. Barry's strength and been waning, and it was evident he could do no more. His face was badly swollen. Kaufman had a badly battered countenance, but his strength was undiminished. He took considerable punishment from Barry throughout the fight.

The contest from the standpoint of a scientific boxing match was one of the very poorest that has been staged here in years.

Neither man showed any championship material whatever, although Barry exhibited gameness and cleverness. There was much clinching throughout the fight, and the audience grew tired before the contest had proceeded ten rounds. Barry all but knocked Kaufman out with a blow to the jaw. He had the 'Frisco man groggy for a moment, but could not put him out. Both men did what little fighting was done almost entirely for the face. There was very little playing for the body. Near the close of the fight, when Barry was greatly weakened, he struck Kaufman low three or four times, and the referee cautioned him.

The betting was about 2 to 1 on Kaufman, but little money was placed. The men fought for 80 per cent of the gate receipts, with a guarantee of \$2,000 each.

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Ocean and Coastwise Shipping

Movements of Local Vessels—Trade Expansion in B. C. Waters—
Sailings of Interest From the Seven Seas.

YEAR'S WORK OF LOCAL MARINE DEPARTMENT

Many New Lights and Fog Alarm Stations Have Been Installed.

The total amount of work done by the marine department on this coast during the past year makes a good showing. It indicates that the government is taking care to have every useful thing done to protect the lives of mariners and the property of the shippers and shippers. Probably the most important work of the year, one at a glance that appeals most strongly to those who pass in and out of the Straits of Juan de Fuca, is the installation of a first order light and apparatus at Pachena Point. This light can be seen for something like forty miles, and is the first mark picked up by the ships entering the straits during clear weather. When the weather is thick the light on Switmore banks is useful, but the light at Pachena is the one that all look for.

NORTHERN TRAVEL INCREASES.

Steamer Cowichan Crowded With Passengers Returning After Holidays.

The development of the northern trade has been mentioned often in these columns, and every day instances of it are being noticed. Another evidence of the steady growth of travel was furnished, when the big steamer Cowichan left Vancouver for her run to Northern British Columbia ports of call. The Cowichan, says a Vancouver paper, carried probably the largest crowd of passengers taken north by any steamer from the port in ten years, and undoubtedly one of the very largest in the whole history of the port. It is by far, in the opinion of those competent to know, the largest any boat of the United Steamship line has ever carried, exceeding easily even some marks set by the Camosia at different times. The steamer had also a good quantity of freight. Not since the various points in the north now included in the calling places of the steamers were made such, has there been such a traffic as this part Christmas season has shown. On every boat the people flocked down, and, as a result, the remarkable traffic on the Cowichan.

TWEEDDALE BUFFETED.

Encountered Gale on Way to Portland From Nanaimo.

When sixty miles to the south of Cape Flattery, a few days ago, the British steamship Tweeddale, Captain Milne, bound for Portland from Nanaimo, was struck by the big storm which swept the coast last week. It soon developed into a gale and came from the south-southeast. For safety the captain headed the steamer offshore. The storm increased in fury until Christmas day, when it began to moderate. But an extraordinarily heavy sea was running, retarding the progress of the steamer.

OBJECTS TO STERN.

New Steamer Does Not Please Everyone in the City.

As the Princess Charlotte rounded Sehi's point yesterday on her way to her moorings in James Bay a knot of waterfront men watched her critically and were passing comment on her appearance. Among the number was an official of a rival line, whose boats have the reputation of being the best of following rather than leading those of the C. P. R. The official in question surveyed her for a few minutes, and then remarked: "I don't like her stern." "Well, keep your eye on it," commented a bystander, "that's what you'll have to watch."

TOWED TO PUGET SOUND.

Ricart de Soler Will Load at Everett and the Arranmore at Tacoma.

Two tugs from Puget Sound visited this port this morning for the purpose of towing vessels which are going over to load. The Holyoke came for the Chilian ship Ricart de Soler, in charge of Captain de Angelo, which is going to load lumber at Everett. The other tug, the Pioneer, came for the Arranmore, which was lying in Esquimalt. She will load lumber at Tacoma.

TUMBO ISLAND MINE HAS INTERESTING STORY

William Turpel Tells of Discovering the Coal When Salvaging Ship J. Rosenfeldt.

The dispatch of the tug Shamrock in command of Captain Hare to the Tumbo Island with machinery for the development of the coal mine at that place recalls the finding of the coal outcrop some twenty years ago or more. The mine was discovered by William Turpel when that gentleman was engaged with others in trying to save the ship John Rosenfeldt at East Point.

The ship had struck on a rock and was given up as a total wreck, her cargo of coal and the ship herself being considered a perfect loss. Then a local syndicate was formed to save her, among the members of the syndicate being S. and H. Sea, Colley Smith, E. Kermode, Richard Bennett, Mr. Saunders and Wm. Turpel. They had the ship patched up and had lighted one row of coal, which they sold. All arrangements had been made for Mr. Dunsmuir's steamer Alexander to come up and give her a final pull. The tide was high and the steamer arrived on time, but a hitch occurred, such as often does in the best regulated plans.

There came on board the Alexander a number of those who were interested in the salvaging operations and their friends, and so sure were they of success that instead of hitching the steamer on the wreck, just as the tide was high, they proceeded to dine and the great event was celebrated with champagne. By the time the Hibernians were concluded the tide was running fast and had dropped about a foot. The steamer was hitched on and the pull given, but the wreck instead of coming away as she would probably have done an hour before, swung round and sank again. She was never again touched, and doubtless some of the remnants are still there.

It was while the wrecking operations were in progress that the mine was discovered. The work was done while the tide was low, and during the period of high tide the men amused themselves by fishing for red cod. Mr. Turpel and a companion were fishing off the face of the bank on Tumbo Island when looking up Mr. Turpel exclaimed, "There's a coal mine."

The other man made fun of the idea but they stopped and Mr. Turpel took off a shovelful of the coal and they burned it and it burnt well. Later Mr. Turpel's companion interested W. P. Hayward in the mine and made some money out of it; but although a good deal of prospect work was done at the mine it was never worked.

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Steamer Queen is due from San Francisco to-night about 8 o'clock.

British Ship Rowena is bound for the Royal Roads in ballast from Tocopilla to await orders.

CAPTAIN TROOP MEETS OLD FRIENDS

Two Skippers Waiting in Port Prove to Be Companions of His.

A number of interesting re-unions have followed the arrival of the steamer Princess Charlotte from the Old Country. Captain Troop at once found that at least two captains of craft now lying in port were old friends of his. Yesterday afternoon Captain Davis of the steamer Aganathus, and Captain Kinney, of the ship Senator, went aboard to the steamer and were entertained by Captain Troop. Needless to say, the three captains spent an enjoyable time together.

TEES REACHES PORT.

First Shipment of Marble Brought From New Quarries.

Steamer Tees arrived from the West Coast this afternoon with a rather large passenger list but no freight except a few blocks of marble, the first shipment from the new quarries at Nootka, consigned to A. Stewart. Among the passengers were one or two employees of the marble works, who come down for a holiday. C. F. Batterton, a timber merchant from San Juan, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce, W. B. Garrard and wife, C. Henderson, J. Hartwell, Dr. West, the dentist, E. F. Gwynn, a timber man, and Joe Drinkwater, of Alberni.

The Tees had a bad trip up the coast with a gale when in the neighborhood of Nootka, but with a very fine homeward run.

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SHIPPING GUIDE.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS From the Orient.

Vessel. Dep.
Monteagle Jan. 5
Kaga Maru Jan. 7
Tymeric Jan. 22

From Australia.

Aorangi Jan. 14
From Mexico.

Georgia Jan. 16

From Liverpool.

Cyclops Jan. 23

TO SAIL

For the Orient

Empress of China Jan. 6

For Australia

Makura Jan. 1

For Mexico.

Lonsdale Dec. 31

SAILING VESSELS

TO ARRIVE

Name. Left. Date.
Puritan Boston. Sept. 14. Vanc.

COASTWISE STEAMERS

TO ARRIVE

From San Francisco. Dep.
Queen Dec. 31

From Skagway.

Princess May Jan. 8

From Northern B. C. Ports.

Queen City Jan. 9

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TO SAIL

For San Francisco.

Umatilla Jan. 1

For Skagway.

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Seattle and Vancouver.

S. S. Princess Victoria leaves Victoria at midnight, arriving at Vancouver at 7:30 a. m.; returning, leaves Vancouver at 1 p. m., arriving in Victoria at 8 p. m.
S. S. Princess Royal leaves Victoria for Seattle at 11:30 p. m.; returning, leaves Seattle at 1:30 a. m., arriving in Victoria at 4 p. m.
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SPECIAL EXCURSION

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Business Men of Victoria and Vancouver Given an Opportunity to Go North.

The McKenzie steamer Rupert City is to make a special excursion trip to Prince Rupert and back, taking the principal business people of Vancouver and Victoria who wish to view the work being done in the new terminal town. She leaves Vancouver at 9 p. m. on Monday next, Jan. 4th, and will make a fast direct trip each way. The rates have been set very low, the return costing only \$15. Wireless apparatus is carried, so that those going will be able to keep in touch with the outside all the time.

EXPENDITURE ON ARMIES.

Cost of Military Forces to the Powers of Europe.

The military expenditure of Great Britain during recent years is stated by Mr. Haldane, in reply to a parliamentary question by Mr. Maddison, to be as follows:

1890-91	£44,107,299	1904-05	£31,559,628
1891-92	32,424,671	1905-06	25,129,474
1892-93	24,125,395	1906-07	25,295,867
1893-94	20,238,223	1907-08	27,325,728
1894-95	16,653,024	1908-09	27,109,101

*Estimate.

It should be remembered that these figures were quoted by the war office in 1909-10, and are therefore for the period 1890-1909 to 1904-05. From the latter period the figures represent the peace expenditure, including loans.

From 1890-1900 Germany starting with £23,248,485 (exclusive of colonial estimates), has steadily increased her expenditure, save for slight decreases from 1902 to 1904 and in 1907-08, up to the latest estimate, which is for 1908-09, £31,457,628.

France, starting with, for 1890-1899, an army expenditure of £3,274,673 and colonial military expenditure of £3,135,004, has, with various modifications, progressed to an army expenditure of £11,135,004 and colonial military expenditure of £2,172,254 for 1908-09.

Russia, beginning with £26,483,000 in 1890, finishes with estimates of £50,227,255 for 1908 and £27,343,855 for 1909.

NEXT GREAT WAR IN THE EAST.

From the developments during the recent (Japanese-Russian) war, we may be permitted to hope for the possibility, it seems to me, of arriving at such an understanding with the European powers that Russia will be given an opportunity, in the case of a fresh attack on us in the Far East, to use all her armed forces in a fight with Japan or with Japan and China. Japan, notwithstanding the fact that the issue of the war was favorable to her, is feverishly augmenting her forces. China, under guidance of Japanese officers, is forming a large army on the Japanese model. In a very short time, Japan and China will be in a position to throw into Manchuria an army of more than a million and a half armed men. These forces, if directed against Russia, may set themselves the task of wresting from her a considerable part of Siberia, and reducing her to the rank of a second-class power. The danger that threatens Russia from the Far East has now become so obvious that all classes of the Russian population ought to prepare themselves with the full consciousness of what they are doing, to rise up as one man in defence of the integrity and greatness of their native land, in case of a new attack upon Russia on the part of Japan or China.—Gen. Kuropatkin in the January McClure's.

The Empress of Ireland was reported 150 miles off Cape Race this morning at 6 o'clock, and will arrive at St. John at 10 p. m.

A new buoy is being painted and set in order to be located on the Swifsure bank, in place of the one that was recently broken away by the force of the gale, and afterwards picked up in Barkley Sound.

Sixpence a day is the average pay of olive pickers in Italy.

PECULIARITIES OF CHINESE MUSIC.

Chinese music is written; like the language, in vertical rows of characters from right to left. The value of the notes or their length can not be ascertained, as rests, pauses, etc., are seldom indicated, and there is no division into bars. The Chinese use no chromatic scale, and they have nothing resembling our sharps, flats, etc.—that is, signs which in a piece of music sharpen or flatten certain notes.

The best Chinese musician can only conjecture the general form of a written piece shown to him for the first time; to be able to decipher it he must hear it played. Therefore, all the tunes are learned by tradition, and are continually modified by the individual taste of the performer, so that after a lapse of time the tunes become quite different from what they were originally, and scarcely two musicians will be found to play exactly the same notes when performing the same piece of music.

Chinese music is divided into two classes, ritual and popular. Under the name of ritual music must be comprehended all music performed at court or at religious ceremonies. Under popular music are grouped all theatrical, ballad, professional, and ordinary street song music. Among a list of selections of Chinese music on a programme I find one entitled "Ta-Pa-Fan" ("The Eight Boards"), supposed to emanate from the pen of the great Emperor Kanahit, together with the following entitled selections, "Opening the Hand," "The Maid of the Green Willow," "Mother Understands Me Well," "Alone at Home," "Dame Wang," "The Abode of Love," "The Widow's Lament," "Painting Fans," "Breaking the Looking-glass," "Mak-ing Yewen With a Bird," "The Locust's Fate," "The Seal of Longevity," "The Ladder of Happiness," "The Happy Dream," "The Crockery-mender."

While the missionary and the western educator have been busy spreading Christianity and western learning among the Chinese, some little time has also been given to the introduction of western music. It is interesting to see the drum-and-fife corps, and sometimes even small bands, established in the modern educational institutions of China. Even in the Chinese schools, where the missionary-educated Chinese are rapidly being with them, the baby organ, to which they have become attached as students.

At a recent graduation-day ceremony at Shanghai in a Chinese girls' school conducted by American women many of the invited guests were surprised at the ease and accuracy with which several young Chinese girls played foreign musical selections on the violin and piano. The Japanese are being employed in large numbers as music teachers in Chinese schools, and they have had much to do with the instrument trade in all lines.—Consular Report.

Steamer Moana called at Brisbane on Sunday last.

The Umatilla will not leave for San Francisco until Saturday night, tomorrow being New Year's Day.

C. F. R. steamer Lake Manitoba landed passengers and mails at St. John, N. B., at 10:30 last night.

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MESSINA, CATANIA AND ETNA

By Alexander Dumas.

Modern as the buildings are and inadequate the architects, nothing can take from the situation of Messina what it possesses of grandiose and distinctive. Two things struck me among others in the town itself: first, a gigantic staircase leading from one street to another, which seemed to be like a fragment of the ancient Hæbi; secondly, the strange appearance given to all the houses by iron balconies of uniform rounded shape, filled with climbing plants that hide the bars and drape the walls in long festoons that play as the breeze floats them. Pardon me, I am forgetting a third: at the door of a guard-house I saw a corporal of gendarmes making a dress of rose-colored tulle with boucées. I stopped a moment before him, and so amazed was I by the skill with which he used the needle that I made inquiries about the gallant soldier. I was told that in Messina the trade of dressmaking was, as a general thing, carried on by men; my hero was a pluralist, gendarme and women's tailor in one.

In Messina there is neither royal park nor public garden; so that every one goes in the evening to the quay of the Piazzata, commonly called the Marina, to breathe the sea air. The port is therefore the rendezvous of the Messinian aristocracy, who drive or ride on horseback up and down from one gate to the other, a distance of about three-quarters of a mile. Perhaps it can only cross the Mediterranean at a bound and spring from the Boulevard des Italiens to the Marina of Messina one might see some marked differences in the personages who people the two promenades; but coming from Naples the transition is too slight to be felt. The only thing that gives the Marina a special air in the presence of charming abbés, gallant, coquettish, elegantly dressed, wearing gold chains like knights, and mounted on magnificent asses from Pantellaria, with genealogies like those of racers and trappings that vied in elegance with those of the finest horses.

In proportion as I went up, the landscape, when I gazed back, with Messina to right and Pelorum to left, broadened before me; while to the eastward lay, like a curtain all mottled with villages, plains, forests and foothills, that long chain of the Apennines, which rises behind Nice, traverses all Italy, and sings away at Reggio. Little by little I overlooked Messina, then the Cromontor, until at last beyond the city, I beheld, like a vast sheet of silver lying in the sunshine, the Ionian sea, and beyond Pelorum, rolling out like a vast blue molre ribbon, the tideless Mediterranean. At my feet were the Straits, which I now could see from end to end, their current as visible as a river, and showing to the eye the whirlpools of Charybdis, so dreaded by the ancients, which Homer, in the Odyssey, places opposite to Scylla, though they are in point of fact at a distance of thirteen miles.

I seated myself in the shade of a glorious chestnut tree with the singular sensation of a man who finds himself at last in a land he has long desired to roam, and doubts if he is really there; he asks himself whether the cape, the villages, the mountains which he has before his eyes are truly those of which he has read so much; can it be that to them belong those poetic, sonorous, harmonious names to which in his childhood he was rocked by Greek and Latin—those two nurses of the mind, if not of the soul?

Yes, it was really I, and I was in Sicily; I was seeing the same places that Ulysses and Æneas saw, and Homer and Virgil sang. That picturesque little village over there near to a high rock and crowned by a fortress is the Scylla that so terrified Achilles. This sea, boiling at my feet, which so many centuries have not quite calmed, is the veil that hid the implacible Charybdis. It was here that Frederick the Second, grandson of Barbarossa, flung the golden cup which Cola di Rienzo, the hero of Scyllia's ballad, plunged three times vainly into the vortex to recover. And behind me I was leaning, as it were, against Etna, the fabulous and gigantic Etna, which touches heaven with her head, flings stones of fire to the stars, and makes Trinacria tremble

when the giant buried in her bosom turns on his side. Only, Etna, like Charybdis, is now very quiet, a slender vapor alone shows that the sleeping giant breathes, and gives warning in time that he is not dead.

Catania was founded, so says Thucydides, by the Chalcidians in 729, five years after Naxos; according to other authors, by the Phœnicians, at a period when the eruptions of Etna were not only rare, but still unknown, for Homer in speaking of the mountain, makes no mention of its being a volcano. It was here that the Athenians landed when they dreamed of conquering that Sicily which became their tomb. Alcibiades commanded them; his reputation for beauty, gallantry and eloquence preceded him. He arrived before Catania and asked to be allowed to enter the city alone and speak with the Catanese; if the Catanese had been men only his request might perhaps have been refused, but the women of Catania insisted on receiving him; Alcibiades was conducted to the circus, and all the city went with him. There the pupil of Socrates made one of his Ionian harangues, so gentle, so flattering, so eloquent, so terrible, so specious, so threatening. Even the guards at the gates abandoned their posts and came to listen to him. This was foreseen by Alcibiades, whose sin was not modesty, and Nicias, his lieutenant, took advantage of it to bring the Athenian fleet into the harbor, which at that time was not choked with lava, and set the city without opposition. Then came, sixty years later, Dionysius, then MamerCUS, then, 549 years after the foundation of the city, came the Romans, those great invaders, who began by pillaging; they sent their spoils to Rome, which was then poor Rome, the Rome of mud and thatch, so that she was keenly alive to such gifts. Consequently went off and soon Rome was enriched, and then Rome began to feel generous. Marcellus determined to make the Sicilians forget the way in which Rome had treated them at first. He had a mania for building; wherever he went he built fountains, aqueducts, theatres; at Catania he built a gymnasium and probably the baths. Consequently Verres found the city so flourishing that he was obliged to give up her. They told him of a temple to Demeter that contained a beautiful statue known only to women, for men were not allowed to enter that temple. Verres, by nature ungallant, declared that women had privileges enough without that one; so he entered the temple and took the statue, which went with his other spoils. Not long after, Sextus Pompeius pillaged Catania in his turn, on pretence that it had been too lukewarm towards his father-in-law quarrels with Cæsar—in short, it was high time Augustus came when he did come.

Since the eruption of 1781, Etna has had, now and then, a little notion of upsetting Sicily; but as these whims have had no serious result, it is permissible to suppose that what she has done in that way was solely out of self-respect and to preserve her position as a volcano.

Of all these eruptions the most terrible was that of 1669. As this eruption issued from Monte-Rosso, which is only half a mile from Nicolosi, Jadin and I started to see the crater, after promising Signora Gemellaro to dine with him.

It should be distinctly understood that Etna considers herself too far above all other volcanoes to proceed as they do. Vesuvius, Stromboli, and even Hecla pour the lava from the top of their craters, as wine overflows too full a glass. Etna does not give herself that trouble. Her crater is merely a show crater, a crater of ceremony, which contents itself by playing cup-and-ball with incandescent rocks as large as ordinary houses, which the eye can follow in their aerial ascension as it follows the flight of shells from a mortar; but during the exhibition the real eruption is going on elsewhere. When Etna is in travail there rises on her back, in one spot or another, a species of boll about the size of Montmartre; then the boll bursts, and a river of lava pours down, following the slope, burning or overthrowing everything in its way until it ends in the sea. This method of proceeding is the reason why Etna is covered with a quantity of little crater-cones that look like huge hay-cocks; each of these secondary volcanoes has its name and its own particular date, and all have made in their time more or less noise, and done more or less damage.

WHERE HAND BEATS MACHINE

It may seem strange in this age of machinery to make the statement that in many branches of industry the human hand and eye still hold their own against the most subtle mechanical devices. Machines have been made of such a cunning character that industry has been revolutionized, but still to-day many important articles are manufactured by hand owing to the fact that the hand has a brain behind it and so is superior to a machine, says the Montreal Standard.

In file-making particularly hand work is still by far the best. Files are made by nicking a steel blank, but it is practically impossible to manufacture these bars of steel so that they are of uniform hardness. Thus it is in the case of a machine that if it is adjusted to strike a certain blow the blow will make too deep a nick on soft metal and too shallow a nick on hard metal.

In other words the machine is incapable of modifying the force of the blow in order to suit the hardness of the steel. This is why hand-workers score. The man in making the nicks with his chisel is able to feel at once where the steel is hard and where it is soft, and so it is he is able to adjust his blow to a nicety. Hand-made files are ahead of machine-made.

Another objection to machine-made files is that the nicks are made with the utmost regularity, the teeth being strictly in line. The hand-worker, however, makes them irregular, with the result that in using the file one tooth will catch the metal where the other missed it. The machine-made files make the gaps between the teeth fall in line, and so the file has not the biting power of those provided with irregular teeth.

Workers of Sheffield.

In making the best kinds of cutlery the work is still done by hand in exactly the same way as has been followed from the early days. Visit the workshops of the most progressive of Sheffield firms, and you will see that there is an absence of specialists, that is, of the division of labor, and above all there is an absence of machinery.

The forging of knives, razors, scissors and what not, is carried on to-day by hand as they have been carried on in Sheffield for hundreds of years, and it is the craftsmen above all who score.

Take, for instance, the making of a razor. The workman will get a long bar of steel, and will place one end of it in the fire of his little smithy. Having heated it, he places it on his anvil, and shows a blow after blow upon it. Unerringly, without the use of any machinery, the razor blade takes its form. A few blows and he has formed the tang; a few more and the blade is properly shaped, and, more than this, is partly hollowed.

Hammer and Anvil.

He uses no tools beyond his simple hammer and anvil, with the exception of a punch to make the holes in the tang, and a punch which stamps the maker's name. A quick blow is made, and the end of the bar is transformed into a finished blade. Take up a handful of razor blades, and you will be surprised at the uniformity which prevails in length and shape, and yet the man's eye has been his only guide, and his hammer the only implement.

Machines are in use in various parts of the world to make these blades, but no machine in existence knows exactly where to place the blows. The man improves the steel by the hammering he gives it, and he places every blow where it should be, not one being needless. The machine simply stamps out the blade, and leaves perhaps one part very hard and another party very soft, there being no uniformity.

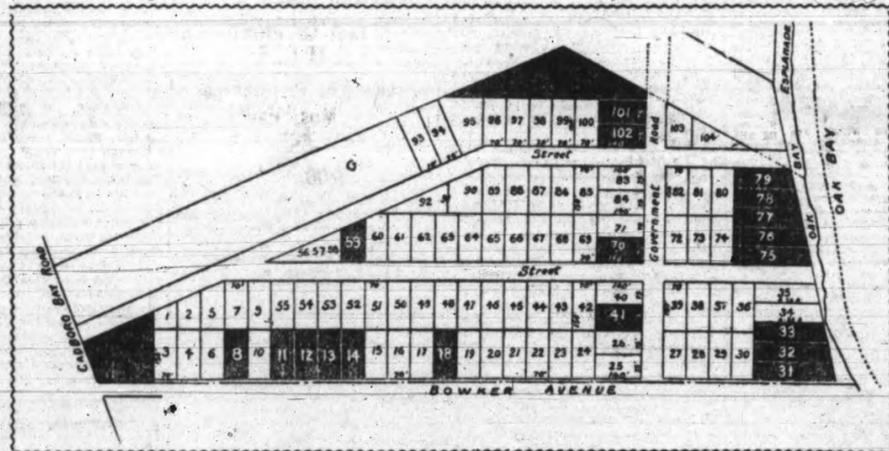
Sheffield blades hold their own through the markets of the world, simply from the skill of the men who make them by accuracy of eye and hand alone. The pre-eminence of the hand-worker is shown also in grinding cutlery articles. The best articles are invariably ground by a man who sits astride of a huge grindstone.

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worker is able to "humor" the blade against the grindstone in a way impossible with a machine.

Elaborate machines are in use for hollow-grinding razors, but the machine-ground articles cannot compare with those ground by hand. The automatic grinding devices are unable to deal with the inequalities both in the steel and the stone. These are accounted for by the man, but this is not the case where the unthinking machine is concerned.

There are a great number of these trades in which human labor is unsurpassed. Take the case of glove-making. The cutter of the leather has to take into consideration not only the defects, but also the varying thickness and thinness of the leather. There is no general treatment, as each piece of leather has to be considered alone. This is why a mechanical cutter is impossible, as a machine could not distinguish between the good and the bad, nor see exactly where the various cuts had to be made.

The plaiting of straw, rushes, and what not are carried on in the same manner to-day as they have been from their earliest times. This applies to basket-making and the weaving of wickers to form the covers of jars, etc. The best straw hats are made by hand in a similar way.

Pottery and Glass.

Strange as it may appear, after all the years that have elapsed, pottery to a large extent is made in exactly the same way as it was in its earliest days. There has been no great improvement upon the simple potter's wheel, the moulding of the rough articles still being done by the dexterous fingers of the man. In many other branches of pottery machines are often used, but they give a far inferior article to those produced by hand alone.

In glass works, despite some wonderful machines which have been invented, it is still the case that the glassblower is king of all machinery. In the manufacture of that kind of glass known as crown glass the processes followed appear to be extremely clumsy. Here a man blows a piece of glass into the form of a bulb, which

after several processes, is transmitted into a sheet of stout glass. Cumber-some as the process appears, mechanical introductions have not been able to supplant it.

Though machinery appears to hold full sway in the manufacture of paper, it is a fact that the very best kinds are invariably made by hand. Brush-making is done by hand labor, and in such trades as the building trade it is surprising what little progress has been made by machinery.

In those trades which require artistic perception, machinery is useless. Of course, a machine can merely imitate, being unable to suggest or to create; that is, no machine could ever be an artist. There are numerous trades, such as the stained-glass, to which this applies.

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 Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to build, construct, maintain and operate a line of railway of standard gauge, to be operated by steam, electricity or any other power, to be known as the Goldstream and Esquimalt Railway, commencing at the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, by way of Otter Point and San Juan to a point on Barkley Sound, near Serria River, with power to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines for the purpose of the business of the public; and with power to own, use and operate water powers and other resources, and with such other powers and privileges which are usually given to railway companies, and which are found in the Model Railway Bill, as amended, 1908.
 Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 29th day of December, 1908.
 BARNARD & ROBERTSON,
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"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1908."
 Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the Goldstream Hotel, situated at Goldstream, Vancouver Island.
 JOHN IRVING,
 Goldstream, B. C., 16th December, 1908.

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 The Department reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a tender.
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 Department of Marine and Fisheries,
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News From Four Corners of B. C.
 Interesting Happenings Gleaned From All Sources in the Province.

RESOURCES OF NORTHLAND UNLIMITED

Visitor From Peace River Crossing on Canadian's Undeveloped Heritage.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—"An undeveloped heritage of vast potentialities" is the way J. K. Cornwall, of Peace River Crossing, describes the vast region lying north of Edmonton and embraced in what is commonly designated as the Mackenzie river-basin. It is destined yet to be the home of millions of contented citizens. This region possesses a variety of undeveloped resources that fairly stagger the imagination. It comprises over fifty million acres of arable land, of which seven or eight million acres are situated within the province of British Columbia, east of the Rockies, enormous grazing tracts, vast inland seas, the greatest system of waterways in the world, gold and silver and copper, and mineral pitch, bitumen, oil, and other deposits of lignite and bituminous coal. Railway communication will provide the facilities for inaugurating a stampede of landseekers thitherward that will transform this wonderful country. This is the opinion of Mr. Cornwall, who may be regarded as an authority. He is spending a short holiday on the coast. Mr. Cornwall brought down news that engineering parties representing the Canadian Pacific, the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern railways have already made preliminary surveys with a view to unlocking the great treasure vaults of this northland. Mr. Cornwall stated that no great engineering difficulties will be encountered. The country is mostly level. He favors the building of a line from some point on the Grand Trunk Pacific, west of Edmonton, as providing the easiest and most direct route. A line of less than four hundred miles would tap a region whose agricultural and mineral resources are not surpassed by any portion of the continent. Mr. Cornwall is president of the Northern Transportation Company whose two steamers in summer form the principal means of communication with the northern interior. They run between Athabasca Landing, about 60 miles north of Edmonton, to the point where the Athabasca river enters Lesser Slave lake. Mr. Cornwall, who is a Canadian, has resided in this great land for nearly 15 years. "British Columbia's richest territory is situated in the Peace River district east of the Rockies," said Mr. Cornwall. "The day will come when it will provide the grain, flour, coal, cattle and horses for the people of the northern interior of the province, the coast cities and the Yukon. The Rockies constitute the boundary between Alberta and British Columbia as far north as the fifty-fourth meridian of longitude. Your best land lies between the foothills of the Rockies and the sixth principal meridian of longitude extending north to the sixtieth parallel which forms the northern boundaries of the two provinces. In the Peace River country there are at least 50,000,000 acres fit for cultivation. Of this seven or eight million are located in the northeast corner of British Columbia. It is equal to the best soil of the other prairie provinces. The climate is simply delightful. The summers are not excessively hot, while the winters are cool and dry without any great extremes in temperature. Vegetables and cereals thrive amazingly well. No 1 northern wheat and fall wheat are produced in perfection. Growth is favored by the temperate chinook winds which blow from the west. In latitude fifty-eight and a half, below Peace River-Crossing, the Hudson's Bay Company has a \$45,000 flourmill in successful operation. In many respects the climate is superior to that prevailing farther south in the vicinity of Edmonton and Calgary. "Portions of this region abound in long grass, which provides splendid feed for horses and cattle. Three out of five winters the cattle 'rustle' for themselves, while horses are never stabled, even in the coldest weather. As a place of residence the year around I prefer it to any section west of the Great Lakes. Lack of railway transportation has kept the country back as settlers hesitate to go to a place where the limited market. All this will be changed once the railways realize that the country is a golden opportunity never excelled in the history of the Dominion. Just now there are probably not over four or five or six hundred settlers in the Peace River district and 2,000 cattle and 5,000 horses. "The waterways are the most important in the world while the lakes, rivers and streams teem with commercial fish in unlimited quantities. The Mackenzie river is navigable for steamboats drawing seven feet for a distance of 1,300 miles. The Peace river with the exception of one break is navigable for nine hundred miles. To sum up, the Mackenzie river and its tributaries, with only two breaks, are navigable for 3,600 miles. All the more southerly portion of this section will be dotted with farms and horses and cattle ranches some day, and perhaps at no distant date. "It would take a week to go into detail about the other resources of the north country, including those of British Columbia. The mineral indications are excellent, and the auriferous territory embraces thousands of square miles. Colors can be found in almost any stream heading in the Rockies. Placer mining of the most primitive sort is being successfully carried on at various points along the Peace and Smoky rivers. The country, however, has not even been scratched,

URGE IMPROVED SYSTEM OF ROADMAKING

Ratepayers of Chilliwack Discuss Ways and Means.

Chilliwack, Dec. 30.—In response to a call by the reeve, a public meeting was held in the court house for the purpose of discussing ways and means for municipal improvement. W. G. Hawshaw outlined the scheme he had in mind. From his observations he had come to the conclusion that the present system of roadmaking as adopted by the Chilliwack municipality was a failure. Money was being expended yearly for road improvement that owing to a certain road commissioner, had proven most successful. The outlay at the outset perhaps was larger, but the cost of maintenance afterwards only a small matter. A motion was carried that: "We recommend to the council the abolition of the status labor system, and recommend the hiring of a municipal team, or more if required, and a competent overseer for the work upon the roads." A committee was appointed to confer with the reeve and councilors with respect to submitting a plebiscite to the ratepayers at the municipal election.

CHINAMAN FINED FOR ALTERING PLANS

Convicted on Two Charges and Must Pay \$200.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Loo Goo Wing will have to pay two fines aggregating \$200 for altering the plans of his buildings on Pender Street East, without the consent of the building inspector. In the first case concerning a building near Westminster avenue, Loo Goo had alleged that he had leased it to a certain Tai Hing, who had made the alterations and fitted it up with gambling rooms without his knowledge. A diligent search failed to discover Tai Hing, and when Loo Goo Wing appeared before Magistrate Alexander yesterday in the police court, he was given a severe lecture. "I don't believe your story," he said. "You have perjured yourself and aggravated your offence. The limit the by-law allows me to impose is a fine of \$100 or two months' imprisonment, and that will be your sentence." In regard to the second charge, Building Inspector Jarrett said he had examined the building, and found that the basement had been partitioned off. It was full of intricate passages and spring doors, which led at last into a large dark room with solid walls four inches thick. Mr. Woodworth, counsel for Loo Goo Wing, cross-examined the building inspector with a view to finding whether he was acting under powers conferred by the by-law or was simply taking arbitrary action on his own part. Magistrate Alexander said that he had nothing to do with the charge before him, and on the evidence of the building inspector and two other witnesses who corroborated him as to the fixtures of the building he imposed a fine of \$100 and costs.

DISCOVERER OF RICH MINE.

Moyle, Dec. 30.—Peter, the Indian who discovered the St. Eugene mine, was in Moyle this week. It was fifteen years ago last spring that Peter, while hunting along Moyle lake, found some float and carried it to the St. Eugene Mission, where Father Coccola and James Cronin were stopping. Both of the latter at once knew that the sample was that of rich galena ore, and lost no time in coming back with the Indian and staking the claims which are now the St. Eugene group. Father Coccola sold his interest to Finch and Campbell, of Spokane, for \$12,000 and Peter got \$300. The priest built a splendid church and made other improvements at the mission with his money, and the Indian built a substantial house for his family. Cronin developed the property and made a mine of it, and is now one of the wealthiest residents of Spokane. Peter is now 61 years old.

NARROW ESCAPE OF INDIANS.

New Westminster, Dec. 30.—An Indian and his little grand-daughter had a narrow escape from drowning owing to their canoe upsetting when they were embarking at the Sixth avenue slip, the current almost carrying them away. Fortunately, their plight was noticed, and with some difficulty they were taken out of the water and taken to the police station, where, after getting their clothes dried, they were on all right.

EYE WITNESS TELLS OF WHANNOCK TRAGEDY

Logger Will Be Arranged on Charge of Manslaughter.

New Westminster, Dec. 30.—That Odin Lee was struck on the head with a bottle in the hands of Joseph Kincaid in the presence of Peter Murphy on the C. P. R. track, half a mile east of Whannock, and the blow or blows either caused his death directly or left him unconscious on the track, in which state he was run over and cut to pieces by the C. P. R. passenger train No. 307, and the jury are of opinion that no blame is to be attached to the crew of the train. This was the text of the verdict rendered by the coroner's jury empanelled at Whannock to investigate the circumstances attending the violent death which overtook Odin Lee, a young farmer of that district on Christmas eve. The sensation of the inquest was the arrest of Joseph Kincaid, a logger of the district, whom Murphy swore he saw wield the bottle which stretched Lee on the track either dead or stunned to be horribly mangled by the advancing train. Kincaid was charged with manslaughter by Chief Constable Spain and remanded for preliminary hearing before the police magistrate of Maple Ridge, on Monday next. According to a witness named McKinley, from Ruskin, where Kincaid went after the tragedy, the accused man told him that near Whannock he had been attacked by two tramps, but luckily he had a bottle with him which he used to defend himself, and with which he had knocked one of the men down. This leads to the belief that he will enter a plea of justification on the grounds of self-defence. It is quite possible that the date of the preliminary trial may be changed from Monday, that date being only set temporarily.

INDIAN CENTENARIAN DEAD.

August, Who Was Born at North Vancouver, Passes Away.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Old August, whose age was in the vicinity of 100, died Monday at North Vancouver. August was probably the oldest Indian in British Columbia. His wife is still alive, and is only a few months younger than her husband. The old man had long since lost detail track of his years. Curiously enough he was born just where he died, but at a time when no one dreamed of North Vancouver or even a village on the city side of the inlet. August remembered well going on hunting and fishing trips in the early part of last century when, so far as he knew, there were no white people on the coast at all. He was at Nanaimo and Victoria when the first forts were established. But all through the century his headquarters had been at the native encampment across the inlet. The death on Monday is the first break in four generations. August's son Julian is a boy of 90. He lives also at North Vancouver. The grandson is John, a boy of 30, and the great-grandchild is little Albert, a babe of eight, who attends the mission school of the sisters on the Keith road.

GIRDER FALLS INTO CREEK.

Mishap at Vancouver Will Delay Work on New Structure.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—While the employees of Armstrong & Morrison were yesterday afternoon placing a heavy girder in position on the piers of the new Granville street bridge the steel proved too heavy for the equipment, and got beyond control. Finally it broke from its cables and landed in the creek, being buried in the slide bank. The hoisting equipment is mounted on a scow, and is of the pile-driver type of construction. Owing to the extraordinary weight of the steel the derrick end of the scow was dragged below the water, control of the machinery by the engine being thus lost. There was considerable excitement on the bridge and the scow at the time of the accident, but the fact that the girder was beyond control was known sufficiently long enough to enable all the workmen to get out of the way, and no person was injured. When the girder is recovered it will be possible to ascertain whether it was injured by the accident. It is stated that mishap will delay the work of laying steel on the bridge for about ten days.

MASONIC OFFICERS INSTALLED.

New Lodge Will Shortly Be Formed at New Westminster.
 New Westminster, Dec. 30.—The installation of officers of the two local lodges of Masons took place Monday afternoon. H. N. Rich, of Ladner, deputy grand master, acting as installing officer, assisted by the past masters present. A banquet was held in the Masonic hall in the evening. About 150 members and visitors were present, eighteen of whom were past masters. An announcement was made by C. H. S. Wade, P. G. R. of Alberta, regarding the formation of a new lodge in the city to work under the Canadian ritual. He asked the support of the other city lodges. Mr. Wade said that an application would shortly be sent to be grand lodge for its formation.

STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS.

Port William, Ont., Dec. 30.—Rev. Josiah Dyke, an ex-mayor, who is a middle-aged, active, his "stroke" was stricken with paralysis to-day.

WORLD'S GREATEST EARTHQUAKE DISASTER

A list of some of the world's greatest disasters by earthquake as far back as the history of seismic disturbances goes are as follows:

- Hellce and Bura, in Peloponnesus, swallowed up, B. C. 373.
- Duraz, Greece, buried with all its inhabitants and twelve cities in Campania buried, B. C. 345.
- Lysimachia and its inhabitants buried, B. C. 293.
- Ephesus and other cities overturned A. D. 17.
- Eruption of Vesuvius buries Pompeii and Herculaneum, A. D. 79.
- Four cities in Asia, two in Greece and two in Galatia overturned, A. D. 105 or 106.
- Antioch destroyed, A. D. 115.
- Nicomedia, Caesarea and Nicea overturned, A. D. 136.
- In Asia, Pontus and Macedonia, 150 cities and towns damaged, A. D. 157.
- Nicomedia again demolished, and its inhabitants buried in its ruins, A. D. 358.
- An earthquake felt by nearly the whole world, A. D. 543.
- Earthquake at Constantinople, edifices destroyed and thousands perish, A. D. 557.
- Awful earthquake in Syria, Palestine and Asia; more than 500 towns destroyed and loss of life surpassed all calculations, A. D. 743.
- Constantinople overturned; all Greece shaken, A. D. 836.
- Catania, in Sicily, overturned and 15,000 persons buried in ruins, A. D. 1137.
- Earthquake in Syria, etc., kills 20,000 A. D. 1138.
- One of the cities in Calabria and all its inhabitants overwhelmed in Adriatic Sea, A. D. 1186.
- Earthquake in Calabria, 60,000 perished, A. D. 1208.
- Earthquake at Naples, greatest known there; 40,000 perished, A. D. 1456.
- Constantinople visited; thousands perished, A. D. 1509.
- At Lisbon, 1,500 houses and 30,000 people buried in ruins; several neighboring towns engulfed, A. D. 1531.
- In Japan, several cities made ruins and thousands perished; A. D. 1596.
- In Naples, 30 towns or villages in ruins; 70,000 lives lost, A. D. 1628.
- Awful earthquake at Calabria, thousands of lives lost, A. D. 1638.
- Earthquake at Schmalek, lasted three months; 30,000 lives lost, A. D. 1667.
- Port Royal, Jamaica, destroyed, houses engulfed 40 fathoms deep, 3,000 perished, A. D. 1692.
- At Sicily earthquake overturned 54 towns and 300 villages; of Catania and its 18,000 inhabitants not a trace remained; more than 100,000 lives were lost, A. D. 1693.
- Jeddo, Japan, ruined; 200,000 perished, A. D. 1703.
- At Algiers, 20,000 perished in May and June, A. D. 1716.
- In China 100,000 people perish at Pekin, A. D. 1721.
- Lima and Callao demolished, 18,000 buried in the ruins, A. D. 1746.
- At Grand Cayo, half the houses and 40,000 persons swallowed up, A. D. 1754.
- Kaschan, N. Persia, destroyed; 40,000 perished, A. D. 1755.
- Great earthquake at Lisbon. In about eight minutes most of the houses and upwards of 50,000 inhabitants perish. Cities of Coimbra, Oporto and Braga suffer dreadfully, and St. Ubes wholly overturned. In Spain a large part of Malaga in ruins. One-half of Fez in Morocco, destroyed and more than 12,000 Arabs perished. Island of Madetra affected, and 2,000 houses in the island of Mitylene, in the Archipelago, were overturned. The earthquakes extended 5,000 miles, even to Scotland, November, A. D. 1755.
- St. Lucia, West Indies, 900 perished, A. D. 1758.
- At the Azores, a village of St. Michael's sunk and lake of boiling water appears in its place, A. D. 1810.
- Awful earthquake at Caracas, 12,000 perished, A. D. 1812.
- Aleppo destroyed and 30,000 perished, A. D. 1822.
- At Martinique, nearly half Port Royal destroyed, and whole island damaged; 500 killed, A. D. 1825.
- Cape Haytien, St. Domingo, two-thirds of town destroyed; between 4,000 and 5,000 lives lost, A. D. 1842.
- Point-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe, entirely destroyed, A. D. 1843.
- At Rhodes and Macri, a mountain fell in, destroying later place, A. D. 1881.
- San Salvador destroyed, A. D. 1854.
- In Peru and Ecuador, 25,000 killed; 30,000 rendered homeless and 60,000, 800 of damage done, A. D. 1868.

Grand Christmas Drawing.

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At Yokohama Bazaar, 1423 Govt. street, in the morning of 26th December by Mrs. A. W. Woods, Duncan, in the presence of Mr. A. W. Woods, who happened to be in the store. Numbers as follows:

1st	232	10th	1499	19th	2192
2nd	548	11th	1611	20th	3556
3rd	103	12th	3942	21st	4262
4th	2925	13th	2357	22nd	1856
5th	3166	14th	130	23rd	4137
6th	366	15th	2458	24th	3278
7th	3355	16th	5198	25th	3397
8th	124	17th	543	26th	3084
9th	605	18th	652	27th	5094

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Bacon (long clear), per lb.	25
Beef, per lb.	10
Pork, per lb.	12
Mutton, per lb.	12
Lamb, hindquarter	1.50
Lamb, forequarter	1.25
Veal, per lb.	15
Sheep, per lb.	15
Farm Produce	
Fresh Island Eggs	60
Eastern Eggs	50
Best Dairy Butter	20
Butter (Creamery), per lb.	40
Lard, per lb.	20
Western Canada Flour Mills	
Purity, per sack	2.00
Purity, per bbl.	18.00
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Ogilvie's Royal Household, per sack	2.00
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per bbl.	18.00
Lake of Woods, per sack	2.00
Lake of Woods, per bbl.	18.00
Okanagan, per bbl.	1.75
Okanagan, per sack	1.75
Calgary Hungarian, per sack	1.75
Calgary Hungarian, per bbl.	15.00
Moose Jaw, per sack	1.75
Moose Jaw, per bbl.	15.00
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Excelsior, per bbl.	18.00
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Oak Lake, per bbl.	18.00
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O. K. Best Pastry, per sack	1.75
O. K. Best Pastry, per bbl.	15.00
O. K. Four Star, per sack	1.75
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Isle Royale	24
Keweenaw	58
Lake	23
Lake of Woods	14
Michigan	13
Miami	15
Mohawk	63
Nevada-Utah	52
Nipissing	19
Nevada Cons.	19
North Butte	85
Oceana Copper	124
Old Dominion	58
Quincy Copper	35
Shannon Copper	17
Superior & Pittsburg	17
Superior & Boston	17
Tamarack	162
Utah	32
United Copper	141
U. S. Smelt. & Ref.	49
Do. pref.	66
Utah Copper	62
Wolverine	151
Yukon	41

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GRAIN MARKET.

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Wheat	
May	1081 1081 1072 1071
July	985 985 982 982
Sept.	985 985 982 982
Corn	
May	611 612 611 611
July	611 612 611 611
Sept.	611 612 611 611
Oats	
May	518 517 518 518
July	467 467 464 463
Sept.	320 320 320 320
Pork	
May	16.30 16.30 16.45 16.45
Jan.	16.25 16.25 16.20 16.22
Lard	
Jan.	9.42 9.47 9.45 9.45
May	9.72 9.72 9.77 9.70
Short Ribs	
Jan.	8.35 8.35 8.30 8.30
May	8.70 8.77 8.62 8.65

In London fully 100,000 inhabitants work at night.

Over 6,000,000 French women earn their own living. Half of them are married.

NEW YORK COTTON

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Jan	8.52 9.02 8.80 8.96-97
Feb	8.58 8.98 8.88 8.96-98
March	8.80 8.85 8.84 8.94-96
April	8.82 8.88 8.88 8.92-94
May	8.82 8.88 8.88 8.92-94
June	8.82 8.88 8.88 8.92-94
July	8.82 8.88 8.88 8.92-94
Aug.	8.81 8.84 8.79 8.84-85
Sept.	8.82 8.88 8.88 8.92-94
Oct.	8.82 8.88 8.88 8.92-94
Dec.	8.82 8.88 8.88 8.92-94
Steady.	

LOCAL STOCKS

(By Courtesy N. B. Maysmith & Co.)

(Private Exchange.)

Alberta Coal & Coke	124
American-Canadian Oil	65
B. C. Amalgamated Coal	65
B. C. Coal	2.75
B. C. Permanent	115.00
B. C. Pulp & Paper	80
Bakeries, Limited	7.50
Capital Furnishings	7.50
Carbon Copy Mfg.	81
Diamond Coal	58
Diamond Vale C. & I.	14
Great West Permanent	118.00
Granby	97.50
International Coal & Coke	73
Nova Valley C. & C.	76.00
Nootka Marble Quarries	5.00
Northern Bank	88.00
Pingree Mines, Limited	15
Pacific Whaling	8.00
Portland Canal M. & D.	65
Royal Collieries	32
Suica Brick	6.50
Snowdon	11.50
United Wireless (stamped)	4.50
Western Oil	50
Victoria Transfer Co.	55.00
Vancouver-Bisquitte Coal	50

Sales.

500 Pingree Mines, Ltd. 15

French doctors are prohibited from receiving money bequeathed to them by patients.

MINING STOCKS

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Alameda	100
Copper Kings	35
Gertie	31
Humming Bird	64
Lucky Calumet	71
Montreal	254
Nabob	254
O. K. Consolidated	25
Om Paa	4
Panhandle Smelter	4
Reed	2
Snowshoe	71
Snowstorm	213
Stewart	60
Tamarack	162
Wolverine	151
Yukon	41

STOCK MARKET.

Outlook Is Improving—January Disbursements Will Exceed \$180,000,000.

The reaction in the stock market has apparently completed its course, says J. S. Bachs & Co. in their latest report. There is always some cause during a reaction which is used to accentuate the decline, and in this instance the incorporation of a new and large smelting company has been effectual in enabling one particular stock to be used as a breaking feature, the particular stock in this instance being the better class of common stocks, and all this should make for higher prices. With a more than adequate supply of money, prospects and evidence of gradual returning prosperity, and the outlook in politics for a new and safe administration, the market for the investor seems to be clearly one in which he may safely place funds, disregarding temporary reactions.

MALIN HEAD COLLISION.

London, Dec. 31.—The master and pilot of the steamship Corinthian have been blamed by the court for the Malin Head collision.

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PESTILENCE MAY FOLLOW DEPOPULATION AND RUIN

The ships in the harbor. Every available steamer in the port has been fitted up as a temporary hospital. People wept from the moment when they saw the King and Queen of Italy come ashore. The women threw kisses to Her Majesty. Both were practically carried up the pier in the arms of their subjects. The presence of the King has acted as an inspiration to the people.

Several Calabrians here, who have relatives and friends in the stricken district, have gone out of their minds because it is impossible for them either to go to their homes or get news of their beloved ones. The steamer Therapia is lying off Naples crowded with refugees from Messina, bereaved men, starving women and weeping children. All with the stamp of great fear still upon their faces.

On the Review Table

A Popular Holiday Number. Among the Christmas numbers that have come to hand, the Canadian Pictorial (fifteen cents; published by the Pictorial Publishing Co., 142 St. Peter St., Montreal), deserves special mention. Its unique and very charming cover appeals at once to everyone, and its contents, from the bright Christmas stories and wealth of Christmas pictures to the sweet old English words and music complete, are full of Christmas spirit. Yet even the Christmas number, true to the motto "News by Views" of the Canadian Pictorial, shows some splendid pictures dealing with the stirring events of the month the world over. The Canadian Pictorial has won for itself an enviable place among Canadian publications, for its exquisite photographs and fine workmanship throughout stands unequalled and is wonderful value for the money.

done after the greatest age had withdrawn from North America. The fact that thousands of millions of years ago the earth was a swirling, seething mass of misty vapor, gradually, through millions of years, cooling and solidifying, is impressive enough, no doubt; but it is somewhat difficult to grasp an enthusiasm for such overpowering figures. A more interesting point is how many years of life the earth is likely to enjoy—unless, as the writer points out, calamity, swift and unseen, descend upon our globe. Here is the tale geology has to tell. The earth's morning, or rather the hour before dawn, began a thousand million years ago. Figures have no terrors for writers on astronomical or geological subjects—in fierce, fervent heat, amid tossing seas and swaying continents, every hill a volcano, every valley a cauldron of fire. But in two hundred million years hence the earth's heat will be all gone. The volcanoes will be extinct and earthquakes a memory only of more fortunate days. In a thousand million years, death's defacing fingers will have brought every hill and valley, every mountain and plain, beneath a world-wide shoreless sea.

WHERE SAVAGES BEAT US The rude, uncultured savage did not sit most of the day in a padded office chair, a carriage or car. His food was not prepared by a chef. He had to hunt for something to eat. And dinner, when he got it, was none too rich. But the rude, uncultured savage did not suffer from indigestion, constipation, biliousness, headaches, as we civilized beings do. Exercise and the amount of fruit and fresh vegetables in his diet, kept liver, bowels and kidneys working right.

RAZORS GROUND and honed to perfection. Wilson, locksmith, 102 Broad. TO LET—Four roomed cottage. Mrs. M. R. Smith, 24 Dallas road. WAITES BROS., practical mechanical repairers, expert locksmiths. 64 Fort Street, sign of "Big Key." BEGIN THE NEW YEAR WELL—Get all your meals at the City Restaurant, cor. Yates and Government streets. Absolutely the best 25 cent meals in Victoria. N.B.—Roast geese, New Year's Day, 31 to 1. 25 to 28 cents. MEAL TICKETS, 21 meals \$1.50. UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT—Toronto Restaurant, 112 Store Street, next Queen's Hotel, Beat 15c. meal in the day. Open day and night. Try us and we will give you satisfaction. Twenty-one meal tickets for \$2. WANTED—Experienced clerk for general store. Write full particulars to A. E. Waterhouse, New Alberni. WANTED—Nurse, or girl for general house work. Mrs. Foster, 511 Mary St. Telephone 81114. ENTERTAINMENTS TO-MORROW. Visitors Will Be Welcomed to the Y. M. C. A. Rooms.

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BAIN'S AUCTION ROOM The Raffle FOR THE Grand Father's Clock IS POSTPONED UNTIL JAN. 31st, 1909. MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY. VOTERS' LIST. COURT OF REVISION.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. Sealed tenders are invited for the clearing of approximately one hundred acres of the townsite of Alberni, Vancouver Island. Specifications can be seen at the office of the Alberni Land Company, Ltd., Alberni, B. C.; the Land Office, E. & N. Railway Company, Victoria, B. C.; the Land Office, E. & N. Ry., care of C. F. R. Offices, Vancouver, B. C. Tenders must be in on or before the 15th of January, 1909, and are to be addressed to the Alberni Land Company, Ltd., New Alberni, B. C. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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WINNING NUMBER 160 WON BY TIM KEE E. Payne, 704 Vancouver St., did the drawing. T. Oliver, Royal Arm Hotel, witness. TIM KEE

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Monetary Times Deals With the Recommendations Made to Congress.

The heavy gold shipments from the United States have been troubling Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou. In his annual report he recommends to Congress the use of international gold certificates as a means of assuring the movement of gold from one country to another. The past year, the gold shipments from New York to Europe have been of some magnitude. Canada does not figure largely in this matter, although gold to the amount of several millions is usually shipped to our chartered banks prior to the fall to help with the crop movement, says the Monetary Times, which thus refers to the proposal.

PERSONAL

W. W. Foster, executive agent of the C. P. R., who was in the city on Tuesday evening, has gone to Winnipeg. Dr. H. A. Brown, veterinarian, who has been practicing in Vancouver, has removed his office to this city. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Macgill, of Vancouver, are visiting Victoria. Both Mr. and Mrs. Macgill are former well known newspaper writers. E. B. Knight, of Vernon, the superintendent of the White River Valley Irrigation Canal, is in the city. During the past season about 16 miles of the ditch have been constructed, which, added to what was done the year before, makes about 22 miles. There are yet about 20 miles to complete.

From advices by telegraph received by the provincial police, two Indians are in custody and will to-day be given a preliminary hearing at Soda Creek on a charge of having murdered another Indian in a drunken row Monday evening last. The wife is from Provincial Constable Yolland, stationed at the 150 Mile House, and gives the information that in the row one of the Indians was so badly battered that he died almost immediately. His assailants were arrested and an inquest was held under the direction of Constable Yolland, who went to the spot. The evidence secured in clear against one of the Indians. The names of the men concerned are not stated.

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"The Statue" By Eden Phillpotts and Arnold Bennett

CHAPTER XXIII.—(Continued.) "I have a key," she explained brokenly, clinging to him, and I came into the statue after Maurice, I had seen him in the grounds. I don't think Millicent knows that he is here. I meant to be reconciled with him, or else... else to kill myself. I brought the lift down, and came up in it, as quietly as I could and then I heard voices. And I listened. I should have come into the room. I was just deciding to come in, when he surprised me by rushing out. I only had time to hide in the service room. Father, don't let us waste time talking. Let us go. "What are we to do?" murmured Crampion, apparently despairing. "What can we do against a madman?" "I have a key. Once out in the grounds, we are safe. We can appeal to Millicent to anyone." "What then? I shall only be caught and given up. Once the fact gets about that I am here, the game's over." "Come, father," the girl insisted impetuously, with eyes suddenly flashing, and she raised him from the chair. "To please me." He followed her, inspired by her energy. They reached the lift well. The lift was at the bottom of the shaft, where Maurice had left it. Norah touched the button which should have caused it to ascend, but there was no answering movement of the wire ropes. She glanced at her father in dismay. "Of course he's left the door open at the bottom. Nothing will make the lift stir till that door is closed. He's done it on purpose. It wasn't to be supposed that he would leave me free to play with the lift. I might have been capable of bursting the outer door. We're trapped till he chooses to return and finish his work." "Then we'll wait together for him," said Norah, quietly. When, tragically silent, they had been seated a few moments side by side in the chamber, Crampion sprang up as though he had received a violent shock of electricity. "I'm losing my senses," he exclaimed. "What's the good of knowing the way of the statue if I don't make use of it?" He rushed to the wall on the right of the door. It was a white plaster wall, with a frieze carved in low relief under the ceiling, and a dado beneath. The dado was separated from the upper plain space of the wall by a decorative band designed in a pattern of leaves with a small raised circle, conventionally representing a seed, between each pair of leaves. Crampion began to count the seeds, starting from the door. "It's the thirteenth," he said. He counted thirteen, pressed on the thirteenth circle and then counted again. "What are you doing?" "The other exit is through here," he answered. "Ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen." Then he pressed once more on the circle, but with no visible result. He looked at Norah. "What is it, father?" "The whole of that part of the dado," he replied, "is a panel that gives way when the spring is touched, and leads to a staircase." "Have you pushed the right one?" she demanded excitedly. "Yes," he said. "I've pushed the right one." "It doesn't work. It simply means that the spring has been locked on the other side." "Who could have fastened it?" "There is only one man who could have locked it—Beakbane. No one else knows of it." "Yes. And what's more, he's in the statue now. He must be. He would have freed the spring before leaving. He's in the statue now." Crampion's voice rose to a cry of anger and rage. "Father!" "I tell you he's in the statue now!" yelled the old man. "My God! If I had but staggered back to a chair, and fell into it." "Father," the girl enjoined him proudly, "we can do nothing if you aren't calm. Emile Berger and the police have been trying to catch Beakbane for weeks and weeks. They will do it now." "That won't help us!" muttered Crampion, his extraordinary fury subsiding. "However, there's nothing to do but wait. Nevertheless," he resumed after a pause, "I think we'll wait in the dark. When Maurice does come, I may be able to do something in the dark." He turned off the lights by means of the switch, and he was in the act of going out to the lift-well, when he went back and re-lighted the chamber. "Norah," he said quietly, taking her hand, "remember that if anything happens to me, you are to send five thousand pounds—don't forget—five thousand pounds, to Mrs. Alexander Wayne, 321 Old Kent Road, London. 221—fix the number in your head. You'll remember?" "Yes, father," she replied. At the same moment they both witnessed a rapid, noiseless movement of the dado to the right of the door. It sank magically without a sound below the level of the floor, and showed a cavity. A man half stepped from the cavity into the chamber; then, seeing that the room was not empty, he tried to retreat. But Crampion dashed at him and dragged him forth. It was Beakbane. CHAPTER XXIV. The Tunnel. It was not for nothing that Abraham Crampion had been weeding potatoes and trundling heavy barrows on Dartmoor. He caught Beakbane in the grasp of a man who was accustomed to being obeyed by his muscles. With one hand gripping either shoulder, he drew him forth from the modesty of his retreat and flung him into the room.

after me." He had the air of conducting an expedition of victory. No one could have surmised from his demeanor that, with Beakbane as a tool, he was playing for his own life against the revengeful madness of Maurice. The three people gazed, one after the other, through the aperture, which now reopened quite easily, and Norah found herself immediately at the top of a curving flight of steps. Beakbane had touched a switch, and the steps became faintly illuminated by tiny electric lamps. But light was not lavishly provided. The descending spiral of the white stone staircase appeared to be interminable to Norah. There were hundreds of steps, each exactly like all the rest, narrowing to the central column; it appeared to her that there were thousands. And still they descended, her father keeping close to Beakbane, and she keeping close to her father, and no word being spoken by any of them. Then Beakbane touched another switch, and Norah saw a long dark tunnel, little more than six feet in height and two feet in width. For a great distance this tunnel sloped downwards, and then it became level; and though the roof was perceptible a faint radiance, she also saw a long, straight, horizontal stretch. They had already passed seven such lamps. "Where are we?" Norah whispered to her father. "Under the lake now," he said. "This takes us to the boat-house. The moon must be very bright." He pointed upwards to the radiance from the roof. And Norah saw that the roof here was of glass. Just when they reached the eighth electric lamp, Beakbane gave a gasp. "I'm sorry, sir," he said, "but I've left the key upstairs." Crampion seized his arm, and interrogated that face. He satisfied himself at once that the man was in an agony of fear lest his carelessness should bring down on his shoulders a wrath greater than he could bear. "Where did you leave it?" "In the top?" "Yes, sir." "Run, run!" Crampion ordered. "We'll wait here. And mind, no tricks! I may tell you the other exit is not in working order." Beakbane ran, his steps echoing dimly down the tunnel. Crampion and his daughter proceeded till they reached a short rising flight of steps at the top of which could be dimly discerned a wall. The light at the middle of the subaqueous part of the tunnel now shone distantly behind them. "When he comes back," said Crampion, "you shall go first, Norah, not Beakbane. You can slip out and see if anyone is about. If you do happen to be seen, no one will suppose you have come out of the boat-house. Whereas Beakbane—" "They have been watching the boat-house for weeks, father," said Norah. "Who have?" "The police." "For Beakbane?" "Yes." "And they've never caught him! Then he must have some way of outwitting them. He shall teach me that way. Sit down and rest, girl." Several minutes elapsed—ten, perhaps fifteen. And there was no sign nor symptom of Beakbane's reappearance in the tunnel. "I'll go and bring him by the scruff of the neck," Crampion exclaimed at last, impatiently. "Don't move." "But, father—" "My child," he said, quite tenderly, "you must obey me. Remember I'm in a serious case. Don't be misled by my looks into thinking that I'm out for a picnic. I'm not. Stay here. If I have to do anything to Beakbane when I meet him, I don't want you to be near. That's all." And he left her alone there, sitting obediently on the stone. He climbed the spiral staircase, with its hundreds of steps, at surprising speed, and when he arrived at the aperture leading to the great chamber, he was slightly out of breath. Instead of going into the chamber, he continued up the staircase, which was lost in darkness above. Immediately afterwards he heard the sound of a scuffle high over him in the gloom of the stairs. Then he heard a voice. He hesitated, turned back, and went into the chamber. From his concealment he saw Beakbane fly in a dangerous heeler-skeller down the staircase. A few seconds later another figure followed him, even more rapidly, and Crampion could not identify it. Then he heard a fall and a recovery. The second figure, apparently not accustomed to the steps, had been taking them at too great a pace. Crampion listened, and the sounds of flight and pursuit gradually died away in the invisible depths of the staircase scores of fathoms below. "They won't do anything to Norah, anyhow," he murmured. "I'd better wait here a little." CHAPTER XXV. The Secret. Maurice, after leaving Crampion, went straight to the house. It was a long time since he had been seen there, and several servants saluted him with that freedom to which a faithful servant is entitled upon such a reappearance. Maurice, however, almost ignored these courtesies. He was going straight to find Millicent, when he met Millicent coming downstairs. She was quite willing to be effusive, but Maurice would have no effusiveness. He asked absent after his mother, who had gone to bed, and after Emile Berger, who had gone to Paris on family business; and then he said: "Norah's here, isn't she?" "Why, Maurice? Millicent" exclaimed, "what's the matter? You're crying!" "Nothing," he said abruptly. "Is Norah here, or isn't she?" "She is here, of course," said Millicent. "I considered it right for her to be here. And she has been here for several months. She went out into the gardens for a walk. I was just coming to join her." "Well, don't!" Maurice replied shortly. And he rushed from the landing where they had been talking, next to a Naind by Rodin, and so by the terrace into the garden. As with expert alert for her in the moonlight, he searched for Norah, he

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WANTED—A young man to drive grocery wagon; must know the city and be accustomed to horses. Apply Box 63.

WANTED—Messengers with wheels. Apply Heavy Messenger Co., 113 Langley street.

Help Wanted—Female

WANTED—Woman to look after two old people. Apply 513 Kingston street.

WANTED—A good girl. Apply Mrs. Owen Copas, 127 Menzies street.

WANTED—A good general servant. Apply 107 Linden Ave., or Phone 1441.

Housekeeping Rooms

TO LET—Three unfurnished housekeeping rooms, with sink and bath, near 37 Fort street, between Blanchard and Douglas streets.

Lost and Found

LOST—A black lace scarf. Please return to Mrs. Kooche, 1165 Douglas street, near Fort. Reward.

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Miscellaneous Goods for Sale

FOR SALE—South African volunteer Dominion land warrants. E. C. B. Bagshaw, 613 Fort street.

FOR SALE—Mature and black soil. Burt's Wood Yard. Telephone 522.

FOR SALE—22-foot launch, equipped with Fairbank's Motor Engine, 22-horse power. Apply Times Office for names of owners.

FOR SALE—English piano, dressers and stands, stoves, tools, curios, books, etc. two good second-hand shops, cor. Fort and Blanchard streets.

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FOR SALE—One second-hand Houston tonner, one Smith mortiser, one shaper, one tenon lathe, one planer, one small engine; also 6 heavy horses. Apply Taylor Mill Company, 114 Government St., or P. O. Box 62.

WANTED—Anything second-hand. For sale, heaters, gas-cots, gun (Parker), bicycle, 20 up; large canvas; carpenter and machinist's tools, cheap, at X L. Resonant Store, opp. Postage Theatre, in alley.

FOR SALE—A few new bugles, latest style, second-hand bugles, wagons all the best, and a lot of other things. Also all kinds of horses. Apply at I. J. Fisher's Carriage Shop, 613 Discovery street.

Property for Sale

SPECIAL—7 acres, 21 acres cleared, good soil, for \$1,200, just off Saanich road. Apply to Swinerton & Oddy, 1225 Government street.

FOR SALE—200 yards from city limits, about 1/2 acre, 20 acres cleared, 1 roomed house, 70 per cent. of price down, balance on mortgage or long term. Federation, Mount Tolmie P. O.

FOR SALE—Ranch, 21 acres of the best land on Vancouver Island, 20 acres cleared, 2000 feet of good barn, creeks (never dry) run through property, a section from salt water, 1/2 mile from Victoria; bargains, \$4,000. Flint & Co.

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FOR SALE—100-acre farm on Galiano Island, 25 miles from new government wharf, 15 acres of good land, 10 to 15 acres of water, plenty of good timber, fruit trees, a portion of land fenced, a good road to property, 210 has been fencing, coal right goes with the land, land out to property, 210 has been fencing, two cowies own cow, balance to \$200 cash. \$1,500 down, balance to \$200 cash. Apply 723 Broughton street.

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WELL FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET. Suit one or two. 341 View street.

TO LET—Private room and board, for elderly lady and gentleman or married couple. Pleasant references. Apply Box 461 Times Office.

TO RENT—Nicely furnished rooms, \$8 Fort street. Phone 5124.

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NOTICE—For the next six weeks I, the late Cecil Rhoads, will be in Victoria, B. C. Phone 18.

TO LET—Offices in Bank of Montreal Chambers. Apply Bank of Montreal.

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WANTED—By a certificated teacher, a pupil, from 12 to 16 years of age. Apply Box 68, Times Office.

WANTED—To exchange, automobile for real estate. Apply Woodworkers, Ltd., 721 Johnson street.

WANTED—Canadian Northwest Oil stock in exchange for good building lots close to Willows car line. Box 63, Times Office.

WANTED—A few young chickens or pullets, about 4 weeks (common kind only); state lowest price. Box 551, Times.

Notice is hereby given that application was made to the Parliament of Canada, in the next session thereof, for an Act to incorporate a company to be named "The Victoria and Barclay Sound Railway Company," with the following powers:

(1) To construct, equip and operate a line of railway from Victoria, by way of Otter Point and San Juan, to a point on Barclay Sound near Sarita River, including in length 40 to operate a steam ferry between Beecher Bay, on the Straits of Juan de Fuca, or some other point adjacent thereto, and some point on the said

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CHINESE MISSION FORMALLY OPENED

Many Attended Gathering at Methodist Home-Interesting Programme. Local Firms Report Increase in Business During the Past Few Weeks

A large number of visitors attended the formal opening of the Methodist Chinese mission home and boarding school yesterday afternoon. The visitors arrived they were received by the matron, Mrs. Snyder, and the teachers, Miss Smith and Miss Martin, and conducted to the spacious schoolroom where an interesting programme of music and speeches was given. The chair was taken by Rev. John Robson, B. A., of Nanaimo, president of the British Columbia conference of the Methodist church. Dr. Campbell offered the opening prayer, and Rev. W. L. Clay brought the meetings of the Presbyterian church and offered congratulations to the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church upon the acquisition of the handsome new building. Revs. S. J. Thompson and T. E. Hoiling spoke in high terms of praise of the work accomplished by the ladies in charge of the home.

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Cigar-makers 1st Friday
Electrical Workers 2nd Friday
Garment Workers 1st Monday
Laborers 1st and 3rd Friday
Leather Workers 4th Thursday
Laundry Workers 2nd Tuesday
Longshoremen Every Monday
Letter Carriers 4th Wednesday
Machinists 1st and 3rd Thursday
Moulders 2nd Wednesday
Musicians 2nd Sunday
Painters 1st and 3rd Tuesday
Plumbers 1st and 3rd Tuesday
Printing Pressmen 2nd Monday
Shipwrights 2nd and 4th Thursday
Steam Fitters 1st and 3rd Tuesday
Stonemasons 2nd Thursday
Street Railway Employees 1st Tuesday, 3 p.m., 3rd Tuesday, 8 p.m.
Stenographers Monthly
Tailors 1st Monday
Typographers 1st Sunday

READ THE TIMES

At Sholapur, British India, a factory is successfully making matches with sticks of a peculiarly stiff form of native grass.
Upstairs are two large dormitories, devoted to the children's use, each one capable of accommodating twenty cots. An excellent idea in connection with these is a small swing window opening into them from the matron's and one of the teachers' rooms. By means of these, the latter can readily ascertain the cause of any disturbance during the night, without leaving their own rooms. The teachers' bed rooms are most cheerful and well lighted. The matron's prettily furnished room represents the gifts of several friends. The teachers are also provided with a large balcony facing the front, and besides nice clothes closets opening off their bedrooms, there is a trunk room as well. Separate bath and toilet rooms are provided for teachers and pupils, and likewise large linen and clothes closets for the children, one especially pleasing feature being a closet with large drawers and shelves of books, where the children's best clothes are kept separate from the others. This is something of which every housekeeper and mother will understand the convenience and comfort. Taken as a whole the new building is a decided success in every way, and will go far towards enabling those in charge to carry on the good work which for so long they have been efficiently doing under very adverse conditions. Numerous small donations have already been received, and no doubt many more will follow as visiting ladies notice what is lacking. Mrs. W. J. Pendry recently sent a very handsome white carving set for the teachers' dining table. Mrs. Burkholder has just sent a very handsome set of chairs in the east case, something of which the matron is extremely

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SENATOR BERNIER DEAD.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 30.—Senator Bernier, of St. Boniface, died at noon to-day. He suffered a stroke of apoplexy a week ago.

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ADVICE ON THE ART OF SLEEPING

What is the right quantity of sleep necessary to man in general, and in particular, to the man who "thinks"? M. Mazade has asked the question of a number of well-known French personalities—artists, statesmen, writers, scientists—and La Revue, of Paris, publishes their replies. The following are extracts from those replies: Maurice Maeterlinck, the eminent writer: I go to bed at ten and rise at seven. Work is impossible to me the next day if I have not had nine hours' sleep. Emile Boutroux, the famous metaphysician, member of the Institute: I need eight hours' sleep. But the quality is more important than the quantity. Above all, never use narcotics. Jules Claretie, of the French Academy: I need a great deal of sleep—seven hours at least; but whether I get much or little of it I work with the same pleasure. The art of sleeping? I know it not. But I know, unfortunately, the art of preventing myself from sleeping—thinking of the next day's work when going to bed. C. Courton, of the Institute, one of France's greatest painters: Artists are perhaps more "nervous" than other people, and liable to insomnia. I require eight or nine hours of sleep. But the slightest thing prevents me from sleeping. Fortunately I think very well, my brain works perfectly in the quiet and the dark. I have conceived several pictures during sleepless nights, and clearly enough to execute them just as I had "seen" them. Etienne Lamy, of the French Academy: Is there such a thing as the art of sleep? Yes and no. No, because man cannot go to sleep at will by himself. Yes, because he succeeds in doing so with help of another: the art of sleeping among authors is best that are tedious and dull is the best art of sleeping. A. Le Deutre, of the Academy of Medicine: The art of sleeping is the art of preparing for sleep by good hygiene—well-organized physical and intellectual activity, little food and little drink at supper, moderate temperature in the bedroom. Louis Leger, of the Institute: I believe eight hours' sleep to be the minimum necessary to a person leading an intellectual life. The best way to avoid insomnia and dreams is to fatigue oneself physically—garden, walk, or exercise. I practice this hygiene and very seldom dream. There is, I believe, an art of sleeping: Forget as soon as you are in bed the worries and work of the day by turning your mind to pleasant recollections or theatre, travel, books, etc. One is thus almost sure to avoid nightmares. Baron d'Estournelles de Constant, senator plenipotentiary minister: I never rest enough. I cannot conceive good work without much sleep. If Balzac had slept more than he used to, he would have written better, deeper, and more lasting books. We lose the time which we take from our sleep. When I am told about states-

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men or generals who work into the night or do without sleep. I always fear for them a sudden collapse at a decisive moment. It would seem from these replies that six hours' sleep is not sufficient, especially to those who use their brains as well as their bodies. Eight hours' sleep per twenty-four hours appears to be the ideal rule. Unfortunately we do not sleep at will. The causes of insomnia are sometimes moral; business worries, anxieties, intellectual overwork, and so forth. But nine times out of ten we do not sleep because we do not know how to use our beds. We are all more or less acquainted with the art of eating and drinking; very few know the art of sleeping. Conditions of Sleep. If you want to sleep, your room must be away from noise; it must not contain artificial light, animals, flowers, and a great deal of furniture; it should be well ventilated, even in winter. The bed should be slightly inclined from head to foot. Use woollen mattresses and let your spring mattress be neither too hard nor too soft. Use light blankets and a modest pillow, not one of those in which the head sinks. Go to bed two or three hours after having eaten, when digestion is almost finished. Professor Hallopeau, however, advises intellectual workers to sleep after their meals. He believes the brain should rest during the digestion. "The best system for the scientist, the philosopher, the poet, would consist in dividing the night in two; sleeping till 1 a.m., then working for three hours before going to bed again."

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